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Bill to Amend the Local Law.

CONCEALMENT OF PROPERTY

In the Government Gazette is published the draft of a Bill to amend the law relating to larceny. The following new section is added to the Larceny Ordinance, 1865:—

Any person shall in each of the cases following be guilty of a misdemeanour and shall upon conviction be liable to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one year, that is to say:—

- if in incurring any debt or liability he has obtained credit under false pretences or by means of any other fraud; or
- if with intent to defraud his creditors or any of them, he has made or caused to be made any gift or transfer of, or charge on, his property; or
- if with intent to defraud his creditors, he has concealed or removed any part of his property since, or within two months before, the date of any unsatisfied judgment or order for payment of money obtained against him; or
- if with intent to defraud his creditors or any of them, he has caused or connived at the levying of any execution against his property.

Objects and Reasons.

Section 82 (5) (a), (b), and (c) of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, 1891, Ordinance No. 7 of 1891, create three offences, which were adopted from the Debtors Act, 1869, 32 and 33 Vict. c. 62, s. 13. Though these provisions, appear in the Bankruptcy Ordinance, the offences, unlike many other offences referred to in the Bankruptcy Ordinance, can be committed by persons who have neither been adjudicated bankrupt nor had a receiving order made against them. A new Bankruptcy Act, of 1914 and 1926, is in course of preparation, and the offences referred to in that Ordinance will be confined to persons against whom bankruptcy proceedings are taken. It is therefore necessary to provide elsewhere for the continuance of the general provisions of section 82 (5) (a), (b) and (c) of the present Bankruptcy Ordinance. This is done accordingly by the repeal of the misplaced paragraphs and by the insertion of a new section in the Larceny Ordinance, 1865. Paragraph (d) in the new section is derived from section 6 of the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Act, 1926; but is not limited, as that section is, to the case of persons who have been adjudged bankrupt or in respect of whose estates receiving orders have been made.

MR. R. H. HAMSON.

DEATH OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

A victim of cerebral hemorrhage at the age of 60 years, Mr. R. H. Hamson passed away in the early hours of this morning. Deceased leaves two sons, Messrs. A. B. and E. B. Hamson, and a daughter, Mrs. H. L. Fox, who are all in Hong Kong.

As Chief Engineer of the s.s. Kwong Sai, he had a large number of friends in shipping and other circles. He was an Australian by birth, but made his home in Hong Kong. His wife predeceased him. The funeral is to take place this afternoon, passing the Monument at 5 o'clock.

ROYAL ASSENT.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances:—
Ordinance No. 19 of 1930.—An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding \$22,865,335 to the Public Service for the year 1931.
Ordinance No. 20 of 1930.—An Ordinance to amend the law relating to Companies.

FIRST EXTRA RACES AT HAPPY VALLEY.

Non-Winners' at Annual Meeting in All Events.

GOOD SPORT PROMISED.

[By "Wombat."] With every race on the card a handicap visitors to the first Extra Meeting of the Jockey Club may look forward to some really enjoyable sport this afternoon.

Handicaps are always a popular item, and with some of the best handicapping talent due to compete for rich prizes an excellent day of fast and exciting finishes is promised to race-goers. The subscription griffins events will bring out substantial fields of fair class performers, and as the form of these little chaps is well known some pari-mutuel "divvys" should entice betters to endeavour to take something away from this afternoon's "pari" returns.

In the races for old ponies many of those who ran at the Spring meeting will be absent, but there are still a few non-winners who should make some interesting racing this afternoon. Events for non-winning griffins will be the hardest to pick as there are nearly all of the same quality and, as most of them have shown very little public form, anything which has a win to-day should pay handsomely.

Last night's rain has not done the course any good. The going may be a trifle holding, which will upset calculations for hard course candidates.

SELECTIONS.

First Race:—

Acacia Leaf.
St. Cyr.
Brown Eyes.

2nd Race:—

Crown Prince.
Lobster Bay.
Imperial Hall.

Third Race:—

Paul Pry.
Nippy.
Little Beaver.

Fourth Race:—

Orlando.
Grey Dawn.
Mongolian Stag.

Fifth Race:—

The Raindrop.
Pegasus.
Queen Regent.

6th Race:—

Tom Thumb.
Scrappit.
Peter Davey.

7th Race:—

Britannic Hall.
Mindoro.
Cloudy Eve.

8th Race:—

Mike.
Fair Sport.
Lobster Bay.

Ninth Race:—

Wisdom Stag.
Vasylock.
Jill.

FLIGHT TO TOKYO.

FRENCH ARMEN ARRIVE AT HONOL.

KAI TACK TO-DAY.

Hanoi, Yesterday. The French airmen, Burtin and Mosenssch, who are flying to Tokyo, arrived here to-day. Their total flying-time from Paris is 77 hours.—Reuter.

Later. The two French flyers, Messrs. Burtin and Moench, arrived at Kai Tack Aerodrome at 11.15 a.m. They had made the journey from Macao using Shell aviation spirit. [The airmen took off from Le Bourget aerodrome for Athens on March 2, with the intention of flying by day and night with the object of breaking the record for a flight from Paris to Tokyo, their ultimate destination. They were severely buffeted while crossing the Gulf of Alexandria, and were forced down. Their propeller was damaged, but was repaired the following day, enabling them to resume their flight to Japan.]

DEPORTATION FROM COLONY.

Safeguards for British Subjects.

NO MORE FLOGGING.

The draft of a Bill is published in the Government Gazette to amend the law relating to deportation.

The objects and reasons state, in part:—

The object of this Ordinance is to amend the principal Ordinance (No. 25 of 1917) by reverting to the arrangement adopted in the case of the previous principal Ordinance (No. 9 of 1912), under which the provisions relating to deportation orders against British subjects were dealt with in a section separate from that which dealt with the deportation of aliens and to introduce special safeguards in the case of British deportations. This Ordinance also amends the procedure in certain details as the result of experience acquired in practice.

Section 2 of this Ordinance repeals sections 3 and 4 of the principal Ordinance and substitutes new sections 3, 3A, 4, 4A, 4B and 4C. Of these the new section 3 (1) authorises the issue of summary orders against alien banished from other parts of the Empire. Section 8, 9, 10 and 12 (3) of the principal Ordinance prohibited the residence here of banished from the Straits Settlements, and Malay States and Borneo, and dealt with the penalties to be imposed and the evidence to be adduced if they were found here. For some years it has been found impracticable to impose these penalties. It is more-over illogical to limit the exclusion of alien deportees to those deported only from the places named. It seems desirable therefore to abolish altogether the automatic exclusion and to make provision for the issue of local summary orders if and whenever it is considered desirable to get rid of the alien deportees from other parts of the Empire.

British Subjects.

Sub-sections (2) and (3) of the new section 4 insist on long procedure in the presence of a judge in chambers and a report from the judge as to whether or not the allegations are in his opinion well founded in the case of the deportation of British subjects.

The new section 4A and 4B are with slight verbal changes enactments of section 4 (2) and (3) of the principal Ordinance. The new section 4C is suggested by section 12 (6) of the Aliens Order and authorises courts and magistrates to recommend aliens for banishment.

Flogging Unsuitable.

Section 10 repeals a sub-section of section 85 of the Magistrates Ordinance, 1890, which authorised the flogging of returned banished, as this punishment is not considered suitable.

SALT DUTY.

INCREASE OF 4 1/2 ANNAS PER 80 POUNDS.

INDIAN TARIFF.

New Delhi, Yesterday. The Committee of the Legislative Assembly has recommended the immediate imposition of an additional duty of 4 1/2 annas per eighty pounds on salt imported to British India; and also has recommended that the Government be empowered further to increase the duty up to an additional anna if justified by any further fall in foreign prices.—Reuter.

MR. LANG SAVED.

OPPOSITION VOTE OF NON-CONFIDENCE.

LOST BY SMALL MARGIN.

Canberra, Yesterday. The House of Representatives by 38 to 35 has rejected an Opposition motion of non-confidence. The followers of Mr. Lang saved the Government.—Reuter.

REDUCTION OF OIL IMPORTS.

Action by Government of U.S.A.

COMPANIES' PLEDGE.

Washington, Yesterday. A voluntary agreement between the U.S. Government and several important oil importing companies for the purpose of reducing oil imports by several million barrels yearly, was announced by Dr. W. L. Wilbur.



Dr. W. L. Wilbur.

Secretary of the Interior, to-day. Mr. Wilbur declined to state the exact number of barrels affected, but said that he had been advised that the Royal Dutch Shell and the Pan American Petroleum Company would co-operate as much as possible. The agreement is not written and consists merely of a pledge by individual companies to do their best to curtail imports.—Reuter's American Service.

INTEREST RATES TO BE REGULATED.

Plans of Government of New South Wales.

SAVINGS BANKS EXEMPT.

Sydney, Yesterday. The New South Wales Government has published plans for the regulation of interest rates. The chief features of the scheme are a limitation of interest on Government borrowings to three per cent. and on private loans to five per cent.

The interest on bank deposits range from one and a half to three per cent., but the Government Savings Banks and the Crown are exempt from this condition.—Reuter.

LABOURER'S SON NOW A BARON.

New Under-Secretary for India.

REPLACES EARL RUSSEL.

London, Yesterday. H.M. the King has approved of the appointments of Lord Ponsonby as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in succession to Major Attlee, who is appointed Postmaster-General, and Mr. Henry Snell as Under-Secretary for India, in succession to Earl Russell. Mr. John Allen Parkinson becomes Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Transport in succession to Lord Ponsonby. The King has conferred a Barony on Mr. Snell, who is the son of an agricultural labourer.—Reuter.

PRESIDENT HOOVER CRITICISED.

2nd Roosevelt Needed at White House.

SENATOR BORAH'S PROTEST.

Washington, Yesterday. Severe criticism of the present American Government has been made by progressive members of both the leading parties. "Another Roosevelt is needed at the White House," declared Senator Norris, while Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, holds that Mr. Hoover is personally responsible for the failure of the last Congress to relieve distress due to the drought. Senator Borah in an article in Collier's Weekly protests against

U.S. NOT TO SUPPORT NAVAL TREATY.

Agreement of No Direct Concern to America.

NO REASON TO SIGN.

Washington, Yesterday. The Secretary of State, Mr. H. L. Stimson, has given an official intimation to the effect that the United States may not sign the British, French and Italian Naval Treaty.

Mr. Stimson declares that he sees no reason for the signature of the United States, as the agreement is not of direct concern to America.—Reuter's American Service.

[An earlier message stated:—Several informal conferences regarding the British, French and Italian naval agreement have been held between the Japanese Ambassador and officials of the State Department, and it is believed that the attitude of the Japanese and American Governments is very similar. Mr. Castle, Assistant Secretary of State, stated on behalf of Mr. Stimson that the incorporation of the agreement in a new Five-Power Treaty would involve ratification by the Senate.]

FRENCH BUDGET.

ADOPTED AS A WHOLE BY THE CHAMBER.

SMALL OPPOSITION.

Paris, Yesterday. The Chamber to-day adopted the Budget as a whole. The voting was as follows:—
For 460
Against 120
Majority 340

Government Defeat.

Paris, Yesterday. The Government was defeated in the Chamber by 325 to 245 votes on an amendment to the Budget for improving the conditions of promotion of school teachers, costing 200,000,000 francs, but the Premier did not make it a question of confidence.

A combined attack on the Government in connection with its Bill for reorganisation of the Aero-Postale Company (which conducts air services to West Africa and South America and has been in difficulties owing to the suspension of a group of banks connected with it) has failed. A Socialist amendment amounting to a vote of non-confidence in the Government was rejected by the Chamber by 340 to 215 votes at the end of an all-night sitting.

The attack centred in the position of M. Plandin, the Minister of Finance, who in reply denied that he had participated in the affairs of the Aero-Postale Company or had had dealings with one of the suspended banks which financed the air line.—Reuter.

NEW SPEED RECORD

BROKEN IN AN M.G. "MIDGET" CAR.

96 MILES AN HOUR.

London, Yesterday. On the Brooklands track, driving an M.G. "Midget" car, G. E. T. Eyston to-day broke Capt. Malcolm Campbell's recent world "baby" car record, with speeds of—

One kilometre in 57.99 and one mile in 56.93 miles an hour.—Reuter.

[Captain Malcolm Campbell set a new world record on February 6 for "baby" cars when he reached a speed of 94.061 miles an hour in an Austin, at Daytona beach. That was his first run. His second was clocked at 93.994 miles an hour. His average speed for a kilometre laid-out within the measured mile was 93.926 miles an hour.]

The Administration's propensity to appoint commissions whenever any troublesome question arises, which he declares has the effect of avoiding direct responsibility to the people.—Reuter's American Service.

S.P.C.A. ANNUAL BALL.

Colourful Scene in Peninsula Hotel.

VARIETY OF COSTUMES.

The Roof Garden of the Peninsula Hotel was the scene of one of the Colony's most colourful and successful Carnivals when the S.P.C.A. gave their annual dance, last night. The Roof Garden was packed with dancers and the supper, laid out in the Rose Room, necessitated two sittings to accommodate the many guests. Situated adjacent to the main room was the Card Room, and that ever popular sitting out place, the Bar.

There can be little doubt about variety of the costumes, although the "talkies" seem to have exercised a South American influence in many directions, and a certain section of the crowd looked like a chorus scene from "Rio Rita." One gentleman who had obviously turned his trouser legs up on account of the rain, and had forgotten to turn them down again, was the cause of much speculation. When questioned by the China Mail representative, he remarked with unconscious humour, that when he arrived it was raining cats and dogs.

Pirates were popular, gypsies and cabaleros also prominent. It was noticeable that a careful eye was kept on a gentleman who represented the much maligned Toreadors. There was a rumour that someone in the guise of a butcher had appeared early in the evening, but was respectfully asked by the Committee to retire, owing to the fact that he had left his humane killer at home. Investigation by the China Mail subsequently proved this to be untrue. The rumour that the tactless man who called loudly for a "hot dog" was ejected, was also found to be false. Neither is there any truth in the gossip circulated in the bar to the effect that proceedings were to be instituted against the person or persons who made disparaging remarks about the Fanling tiger.

The prizes for the best costumes were presented by Mrs. Wodehouse during supper, the winners having been selected shortly before during the Grand Parade by Mrs. C. E. H. Beavis, Lieut.-Comdr. Grogan, and Mr. J. C. Anderson.

The prize winners were:—
Most Original Costume (Men):—Lieut.-Comdr. de Courcy (Ireland).

Most Original Costume (Ladies):—Miss Watson (Coraican Penant).
Ladies' Best Costume:—Miss Stokes (Shock-Headed Peter).

Men's Best Costume:—Mr. Yung (Mandarin).
After the prize distribution, the President of the S.P.C.A., Mr. John Russell, gave a short speech on the work of the Society.

DEATH PENALTY.

KANSAS IN FAVOUR OF ITS RETURN.

MODERN VIOLENCE.

New York, Yesterday.

The prevalence and violence of modern racketeering in America has caused a reaction in favour of capital punishment in the States like Michigan and Kansas, which originally took the lead in its abolition.

A Bill providing for a public referendum on the question of restoration of the death penalty has been passed in Michigan, which has had no execution for over a century; while in Kansas, which abolished executions sixty years ago, there will be an immediate resumption if the Governor signs a Bill which has passed the legislature.—Reuter's American Service.

WARM!

The weather report issued by the Royal Observatory at 10.30 a.m. to-day states:—
An anti-cyclone is central over Vladivostok, and a depression covers China.
Forecast:—E. or variable winds; moderate; overcast; rain, fog, warm.

CHANGING LEAGUE COUNCIL.

Note by the Portuguese Government.

WIRE-PULLING.

The Portuguese Government has sent a note round to all the States Members of the League of Nations with the object of getting their consent to a scheme for changing once again the composition of the Council.

Portugal says that there are certain countries like herself and Hungary who will never get a seat upon this body. They do not belong to any group of Powers who unite to get their nominees elected to one of the three places that fall vacant every year. The seventeen members of the League in Latin America, for instance, form a solid bloc and permanently contrive to have three representatives there, one of whom retires every year giving place to another Latin American State. Poland and Spain have almost permanent seats and the total other available seats are occupied by a representative of Asia, of the Nordic countries of the Little Entente and latterly by a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations. Under these circumstances Portugal is quite right to say that she has no chance whatsoever of making her weight felt through the Council but only once a year at the Assembly when like every other League Member she sends her delegation to Geneva.

Some sympathy must be extended to her, for the Council is in fact, if not in law the most powerful organ in the League. As the Executive Committee it carries out the broad lines of policy and progress laid down by the Assembly. All the actual detail work is done by it and in the case of a dispute it is the Council that has to act—rapidly if necessary as at the time of the Greco-Bulgarian dispute in 1925—to maintain the peace of the world.

On the other hand, it seems as if, try as the League will to make Council elections free and open in theory, it can never be accomplished. Wires are pulled behind the scenes to an alarming extent and the new seat which Portugal suggests should be created so as to bring the number of members up to fifteen, would not necessarily be obtained by herself or Hungary, for she is not powerful enough to create a vested interest. There are also grave objections to enlarging the size of the body, for the last time that this was done Brazil and Spain claimed permanent seats and on their request not being granted sent in their resignations, though Spain withdrew hers before the two years' notice was up. It will be interesting to see what response the Portuguese note evokes from its recipients.

VERNON HARTSHORN.

DEATH OF LABOUR LORD PRIVY SEAL.

EX-POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

London, Yesterday. The Right Hon. Vernon Hartshorn, P.C., O.B.E., Lord Privy Seal since 1930, dropped dead in his home at Maesteg, Glamorgan-shire, Wales, to-day. He was 59.—Reuter.

[Mr. Hartshorn, who entered Parliament in 1913 as a Labour Member for the Ogmore Division of Glamorgan-shire, was appointed Postmaster General in 1924. He was a former President of the South Wales Miners' Federation and was a Member of the Indian Reforms Commission.]

SHOES TO CHOOSE.

Fashion decrees that evening shoes must still be chosen to match the dress colour, whether they are in crepe-de-Chine, satin, or a soft kid, and court or single-strap shoes are made gay by means of shining incrustations, strappings of self material, or embroidered in all of the same colour. Quite new is the vogue for long frocks of white, or pastel colours, whose hems are lined with more vivid colours—then the shoes match this pronounced lining.

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Printed Forms of Tenders and further Particulars can be obtained at the R.N. Hospital.

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THOS. WM. MYLES,
Surgeon Captain, R.N.
R.N. Hospital, Hong Kong,
12th March, 1931.

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HONG KONG HEIGHTS

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Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1825
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1724
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Byrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
Takoo Sanatorium	1600
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Marble)	857
Kowloon Peak	1971
Taiwan	5154

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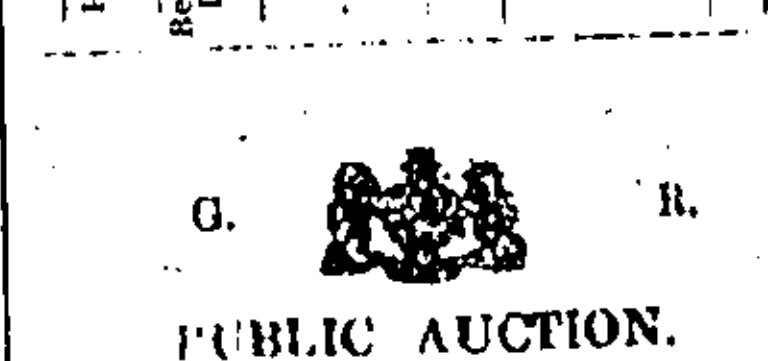
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

Of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 16th day of March, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Boundary Measurements.	Containing in Acres, Roods, and Poles.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
1.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.	ft. in. ft. in. ft. in.	\$
1.	As per sale plan.		10,850 ± 0	2125



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1.	As per sale plan.		8,500 ± 0	1650



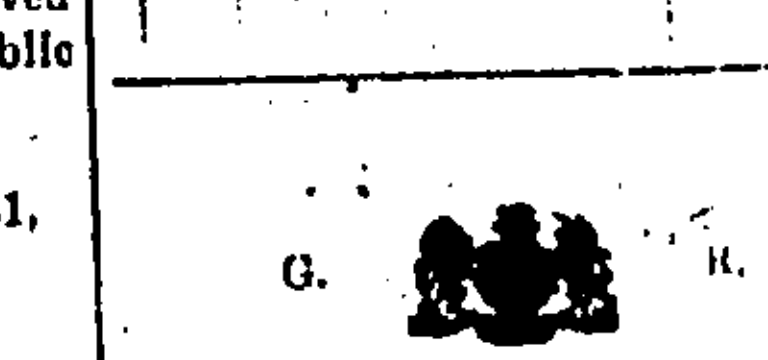
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1.	As per sale plan.		7,125 ± 0	1350

COMPANY MEETINGS

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 16th March, 1931, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1930.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of March, to TUESDAY, the 17th day of March, 1931, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 5th March, 1931.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. O. Building, on WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1931, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1930, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th March, 1931, to 18th March, 1931, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1931.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th March, 1931, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 18th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1931.

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 19th March, 1931, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 10th March, 1931, to THURSDAY, the 19th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNEL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1931.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on THURSDAY, the 26th March, 1931, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1930.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hong Kong, 5th March, 1931.

SPORT NOTICES

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 14th March, 1931, commencing at 2 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5 for Gentlemen and \$3 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all bills, &c.

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Members can obtain upon application to the Secretary badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2 including tax, for all persons including ladies and is payable at the gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted half price.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, &c. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 10th March, 1931.

POLICE INTERFORCE SPORTS.

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SHANGHAI POLICE

versus

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ATHLETIC

SUNDAY, March 15th

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GENERAL NOTICES

HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

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M. F. KEY,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, March 10, 1931.

NOTICE.

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, March 20, at 5.30 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 42nd ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th day of March, 1931, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 4th March, 1931, to WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 19th February, 1931.

CASINOS FOR ITALY.

SAN REMO TO BE ANOTHER MONTE CARLO.

Paris, Jan. 18.

The announcement that Germany will probably enter into competition with France with palatial casinos, in order to capture the gambling public, is now followed by reports that Signor Mussolini contemplates the conversion of San Remo into an "Independent State," similar to Monte Carlo.

The reason given for this reported plan is that the Italian resort has contributed little to the Italian State coffers in the way of taxation, and that the exploitation by foreign concessionaires would be more profitable.

Riviera Excitement.

Signor Mussolini considers that more visitors would be attracted by definitely making San Remo into a large gambling resort.

He is also reported to be seeking foreign concessionaires, for the building of a large casino in Venice, which should outshine any of those existing at the present time on the Riviera.

If such arrangements can be made I understand there will be little or no political interference with the plan, except with regard to the entrance of Italians into the casino. The people of Monaco, of course, are forbidden to enter the Monte Carlo gaming rooms.

Some excitement has been caused on the Riviera by these reports.

BLUFF.

THE BANK CASHIER AND THE LUNATIC.

A cashier's bluff frightened a lunatic into running away, after he had attempted to obtain money at the point of a pistol from the Barrasbridge branch of Barclays Bank, Newcastle.

The man held a pistol towards the cashier and said: "Hands up! I want cash." "It's all locked away," said the cashier. "Then find the key," said the visitor. But pointing to the pistol the cashier said: "I have one of those things," and pretended to reach for a revolver.

The man ran out and was arrested, and his pistol was found to be only a toy. He was taken before a private sitting of magistrates and certified insane.

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For it was not one of your mixtures of gin and coloured alcohols, but a subtle blending of chypre and amour fane and violette russe, with the faintest suspicion of ashes of violets just to give that personal touch to her perfume which fashion demands and her friends so admire. The perfume bar has come into its own.

Suiting Your Mood.

"Take of eau de Cologne (90 degs.) ten drops, of essence of lavender ten. Shake in a fair glass vessel until they are entirely blended. Add the juice of three gillyflower petals newly distilled, one drop of lilas passionne and two of feuilles d'amour. Shake gently, and allow to stand for five minutes, before spraying over hair and face."

The recipes used by Miss 1931 will, no doubt, read something like this to her great-grandchildren in the days when the perfume cocktail, like its alcoholic counterpart, is no longer the fashion of the moment.

No really chic Parisienne would dream of going out by day or evening without the essentially personal charm of her favourite perfume cocktail, made to fit her mood and the toilette she is wearing.

In A Satin Case.

One buys a perfume bar, an elegant little case complete with a dozen small bottles of different perfumes and a dainty little shaker.

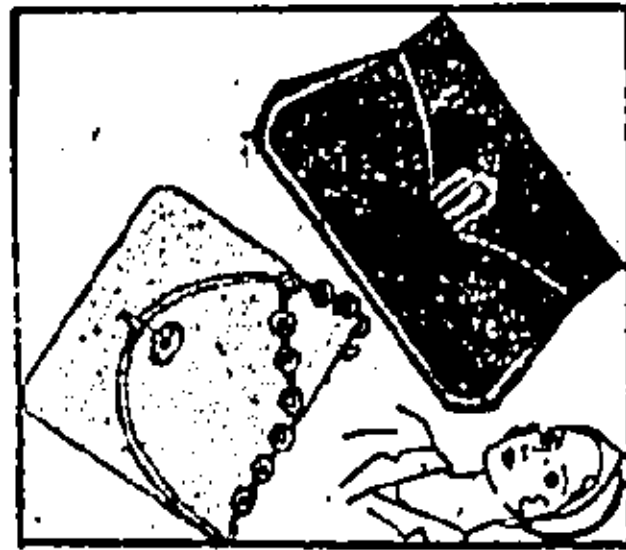
Some of the bars are in luxurious satin-lined cases with bottles of opalescent glass that glint with colours. Some have bottles that are beautifully chased with a pattern of leaf and flower; others are plain in cut-glass.

They are there for all tastes and purposes, and it only remains to experiment and find the cocktail that



HANDBAGS.

Handbags are so elegant these days it is a pity to fill them with a medley of untidy accessories, especially as there are so many oddments sold to aid the tidying-up process. One might use one of the new leather bags which are intended for coppers, but would hold many little articles. This bag has a loop handle and a ring threaded through to slip over the top. A



EVENING GOWNS.

Skirts Very Wide
indeed.

Margaret Carlton writes from London on January 28 to the Straits Times:

I commented last week on the fact that evening gowns are to be shorter in 1931, and now I hear from Paris that in many of the new collections skirts are very wide indeed, and, no longer trammelled by the tight-fitting hip effect which is gradually becoming a thing of the past, float out in voluminous draperies from the region of the hip-line.

And not the least important point about these new models is that pantaloons, made of the same fabric as the gown itself, have taken the place of that modern version of the petticoat, the foundation skirt, so that the rather unbecoming edge below the knees or at the ankle has been entirely eliminated.

When hem-lines are uneven or treated with scallops, the pantaloons are cut in identical fashion, and are also embroidered in unison with the frock and the effect, especially in the case of semi-transparent fabrics is extraordinarily charming.

New Bare-Back Fashion.

It remains to be seen whether the fashionable world will adopt trousers in this new form; and I am also wondering whether a rather amusing variation of the bare-back fashion will prove popular.

The model in this case, for which black chiffon velvet was the medium, had a bodice cut to a point in front and held high to the neck by a necklace of diamonds.

At the back the same necklace secures the apex of a triangular piece of diamante embroidery, widening out towards the waist and drawn to the front in the form of a narrow belt.

Thus, the décolletage, discretion itself so far as the front and back is concerned, leaves the sides completely exposed. Rather effective on some women, provided they have courage, but best avoided by the lean kind, for ribs are never lovely to look upon!

Contrasts in Styles.

Some of the new even gowns are lavishly embroidered with crystal



bugles and beads and often are decorated with crystal fringe in addition.

The other day, for instance, I saw a dress of the palest pink georgette that had the bodice covered with small crystal bugles, and the long panels hung around the skirt, treated in the same manner, were adorned with two tiers of crystal fringe set just above the hem.

A smoke-blue georgette model had a bodice cut on basque lines, and edged with frills, and tiny horizontal tucks were introduced above each shaped flounce (there were two of them) in a turquoise-blue crepe-de-Chine affair with a narrow jewelled belt outlining the natural waist, and soft draperies that just touched the ground.

MATCHING HANDKERCHIEFS.

The latest Paris decree ordains that evening handkerchiefs, (measuring these days, or rather nights at least a third of a yard square) shall be exactly matched to frocks — no easy matter when it comes to the more elusive shades.

Often they have the owner's initials embroidered in one corner, against a background of rose point lace worked by hand. Initials, it seems, are a craze just now, and are even seen in fur, worked on muffs and réjers.

The owner's initials have been seen applied in ermine to the revers of a black broadtail coat, and in another case ermine initials appeared on a broadtail muff en suite with a coat collared with ermine.

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STOCKINGS ARE DARKER.

With coloured shoes, both in the afternoon and evening, it is surprising to find stockings are no longer timidly tinted, but are, in many instances, dark and rich. Of course, the silk is very fine, perilously so, and the colours include deep beige, gun-metal, and a brown which is a dull mushroom when much of the silk is folded.

One woman who is noted for her taste in clothes, wears with her beige frock and beige shoes, mushroom-coloured stockings. With black frock and rose shoes there are stockings definitely grey, and a grey ensemble accompanied by blue shoes is seen with grey stockings much darker than the frock-material.



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LACE FOR BRIDES.

Not every bride possesses a family heirloom in the way of priceless lace which she may wear on her wedding day, but the modern fashion in bridal attire is to include lace, if not old, then new lace beautifully patterned. It is not used, however, for the entire frock, a single strip for the train or veil is sufficient.

Just now, cream lace is often seen over pale pink linings. White laces are not so frequent as darker tints, and that may be because many of to-day's wedding gowns are made from crepe satins and crepe-moires which are so deep as to be almost beige.

NEW SLEEVE IDEAS.

The fullness of your sleeve may now come on the upper arm. The most fashionable designers include raglan shoulders with sleeves drawn from the elbow into a tight fitting cuff. Cape sleeves are usual on coats, but sometimes they appear on frocks too, and in the evening, the fashion is to have a bertha collar to coincide with a Victorian effect in the full skirt. But when you travel and want to be cosily clad, then choose a coat with wide sleeves pulled into deep fur cuffs. A shawl collar of fur held in place by a belt round the waist is cozy too.



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BAG-AND-SHOE MODE.

Shoe shops specialising in evening modes are now displaying innumerable shoe and bag ensembles.

A writer says that she has seen a red pair of velvet shoes, the dumpy velvet bag having a deep flap trimmed with tiers of leather leaves. Across the instep of the court shoes were more red leaves. Exactly the same style is made in peacock blue velvet.

Other court shoes in pale blue moire have a narrow ruching of ribbon as a large lover's knot on the toe cap, a replica of the design appearing on the vagabond bag.

HAVE A BEADED COLLAR.

Beaded collars are not yet too general, and the one a lady writer was shown in a fashion house at Home the other day was particularly original. It was designed for an afternoon frock, and consisted of small blue beads, strung together in a curlicue fashion, with no net backing. This was in a modified Peter Pan shape, and was securely fastened in front by two round, screw beads.

Of that popular turquoise shade, this collar would look its best on a black frock. It comes from France and would be difficult to copy.

QUITE NEW.

For the new evening frocks fine chiffons are now slightly stiffened, and satin is more lustrous than ever before. Satin scarves go with satin frocks, the narrow lengths of material being shaped and embroidered.

For the afternoon, one-colour schemes are prominent, and that is why brown and shades of brown are popular; then shoes, stockings and gloves may match without the wearer indulging in eccentricities of style. Kid, antelope, shark and snakeskin shoes are neat in outline, but trimmed with a second skin. Elaboration in the way of insets and clever piecings are seen in those shoes which are worn with tailormades, but the colour must tone and not contrast with the costume.



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MELBOURNE via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Brisbane Maru	Mon., 6th Apr.
CALCUTTA via Singapore & Rangoon.	Madras Maru	Fri., 20th Mar.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Japan Ports.	Africa Maru (from Shanghai)	Wed., 18th Apr.
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Kwansei Maru	Mon., 6th Apr.
JAPAN PORTS (Freight Ser- vice).	Menado Maru	Thurs., 10th Mar.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow & Pakhul (Fortnightly).	Canton Maru	Sun., 15th Mar.
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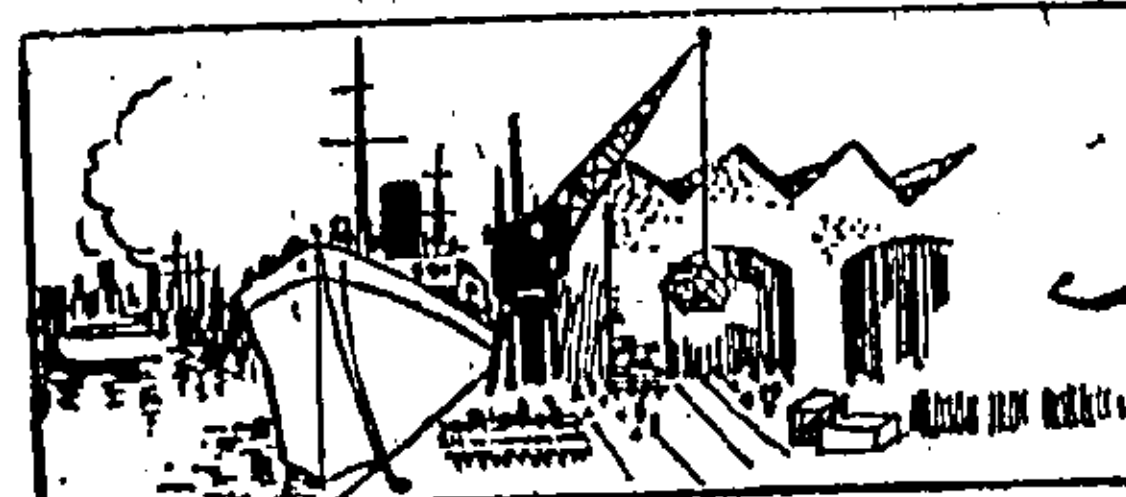
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owing to the fact that the heavy wash created would probably swamp any small craft in the vicinity, including the racing boat. According to The Motor Boat, however, the new launch, which is fitted with a 10-50 p.m. Morris engine, is able to attain a speed of nearly 20 m.p.h. without disturbing the water sufficiently to rock a punt. This remarkable result has been obtained by making the boat practically 50 ft. in length with a very fine bow, a narrow beam and a stern with an overhang of about 15 ft. The new launch will be in regular use on the Thames at Oxford for the next three weeks.



Shipping Intelligence

R.N.V.R. & THE WAR.

A COMMEMORATION TROPHY.

A Home paper received the following letter from Commodore Sir William Bulkeley:—
"I am anxious to get into touch with as many as possible of the R.N.V.R. officers and men, who served in the various units in the Great War, especially those who were at any time in H.M.S. Victory VI at the Crystal Palace. They are scattered throughout these islands, and many, no doubt, have gone overseas. There is no record of them since they left the Service, and I am therefore making this appeal with the kind courtesy of the Press.
"I want to ask them if the great part which the R.N.V.R. played in their lives shall be allowed to pass out of knowledge, except for the unsentimental record of the Admiralty and the slowly fading memories of their own minds. I have concrete evidence that young men in the Force to-day do not wish the fine record to be forgotten.
"A little group of those who served with me at the Crystal Palace have rallied round me and launched a scheme which will place on our old Quarter-Deck—the Main Terrace of the Crystal Palace—a Commemoration Trophy, not a war memorial, but a perpetual remembrance of all who served in every section of the R.N.V.R. We have the site, we have the trophy—a battleship's bell—and now we want the money to give it fitting mountings and surroundings.
"From those to whom post-war life has been kind we would welcome generous donations, but we shall be equally grateful for the shillings of the humble Jack and for subscriptions from relatives and others interested in our objective.
The cost will not be heavy and any surplus will be handed to the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Benevolent Fund. One of my old officers, Lt. S. A. P. Kitchin, of 9, Bishopsgate, E.C. 2, is acting as the Honorary Secretary and Treasurer."

OIL TANKER FREIGHTS.

Ships Laid Up And Being Built.

In their half-yearly report Messrs. John I. Jacobs and Co. write that "it will probably be agreed that the latter half of 1930 has proved the worst ever experienced by tanker owners, having in view post-war conditions. In amplification of such a statement it might be added that there are at present over 150 tankers laid up, and according to a list compiled by The Motor Ship, there were at the end of the year 135 motor-tankers on order. This large amount of tonnage on order can be usefully subdivided as follows:—Nine between 2,000 and 4,000 tons dead-weight, 28 between 7,000 and 9,000 tons dead-weight, 68 between 9,100 and 11,500 tons dead-weight, six over 11,500 tons and under 13,000 tons dead-weight, while 24 are 13,000 tons deadweight and over. A great portion of this large building programme is on behalf of the major oil companies, and a high degree of standardization has been reached both by the builders and owners. Of the 115 vessels, of 907,298 tons, building at the end of the year for the carriage of oil, only 11 are to be propelled by steam. There were 80 motor-tankers delivered by builders in 1930, representing 960,000 tons gross, compared with 120 motor-tankers, of 925,000 tons gross, on order at the same time last year. The total tanker tonnage of 1930 is 203,000 tons down as compared with the record figures for the quarter ended June, 1930.
"The programme of tanker construction undertaken by some of the principal oil companies is in some quarters assumed to be a sign of faith in the future and a cause for optimism on the part of private owners. There can be little doubt of the shorter life of the motor-tanker owing to the high sulphur content of the bulk of the crude oil produced to-day and the corrosive action of light oils refined under the most modern methods. Action has been taken in many instances to counteract these ill-effects, but so far with meagre results. It is estimated that the present aggregate of tanker tonnage afloat is approximately 18,000,000 tons deadweight as against about 7,000,000 tons deadweight in 1922, whilst comparing the basic rate in the

tanker market, which is for clean vessels from United States Gulf to United Kingdom Continent B.H., we find the lowest freights for these two periods are respectively 10s. 6d. and 17s. 6d. per ton. There is nothing at present to give us a lead as to how and when present conditions are likely to change, but the oil trade is bound to advance with the march of human progress," says the Times.

EASTERN PORTS.

DETAILS OF EPIDEMIC DISEASES.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended March 7, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, gives the following cases:—

Plague.	
Bagdad: 2 cases, 1 death.	
Bassorah: 1 case.	
Colombo: 2 cases, 2 deaths.	
Phnom-Penh: 1 case, 1 death.	
Cholera.	
Calcutta: 65 cases, 39 deaths.	
Madras: 6 deaths.	
Chittagong: 1 case, 1 death.	
Pondicherry: 39 cases, 9 deaths.	
Bangkok: 1 case, 1 death.	
Phnom-Penh: 3 cases, 2 deaths.	
Saigon: 1 case, 1 death.	
Small-pox.	
Bombay: 2 cases, 1 death.	
Calcutta: 82 cases, 55 deaths.	
Cochin: 24 cases, 1 death.	
Madras: 1 case.	
Rangoon: 1 case.	
Chittagong: 3 cases.	
Pondicherry: 1 case, 1 death.	
Canton: 1 case.	
Shanghai: 3 deaths.	

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Thursday, March 12.	
Changkiang, French str., 1,717 tons, Capt. L. J. Crucho, from Fak-hoi, buoy No. A10.—Sing Kee & Co.	
Sancho Maru, Japanese str., 694 tons, Captain M. Tsuge, from Keelung, Yaumati Anchorage.—M.B.K.	
Friday, March 13.	
Dorri, Chinese str., 878 tons, Capt. J. Bruhn, from Hoihow, buoy No. C5.—Chau Yue Teng.	
Eng Lee, Chinese str., 765 tons, Capt. H. Makl, from Tsingtao, buoy No. B8.—Yee Tai Hong.	
Graciosa, Norwegian str., 1,029 tons, Capt. Markussen, from Honcho Bay, Shum Shui Po Anchorage.—Thoresen & Co.	
Hong Hwa, British str., 1,924 tons, Captain J. H. Gregory, from Swatow, buoy No. A12.—Ho Thong & Co.	
Karmala, British str., 5,684 tons, Capt. W. Rollo, from London, Kowloon Wharf.—P. & O. S.N. Co.	
Khyber, British str., 5,674 tons, Captain L. A. Bedwell, from Shanghai.—P. & O. S.N. Co.	
Kingyuan, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Canton, buoy No. B8.—B. & S.	
Pres. Pierce, American str., 14,123 tons, Capt. Henry Nelson, from Seattle and ports, Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.	
Prosper, Norwegian str., 1,377 tons, Capt. E. D. Knutsen, from Singapore, buoy No. B16.—K. Larsen & Co.	
Taiyang, British str., 2,582 tons, Captain A. M. France, from Manila, Hoihow Wharf.—B. & S.	
Talyuan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. R. Robertson, from Canton, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.	
Tjikembang, Dutch str., 5,028 tons, Capt. P. Abdo, from Manila, and buoy No. A5.—J.C.J.L.	

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Bridgewater—In dock.
Bruce—No. 8 buoy.
Cumberland—West wall.
Cicada—North wall.
Herald—South wall.
Hermes—No. 1 buoy.
Iroquois—South wall.
Marazion—No. 12 buoy.
Medway—No. 2 buoy.
Osiris—In dock.
Oswald—In dock.
Petersfield—North wall.
Sandwich—No. 13 buoy.
Sepoy—North wall.
Seraph—No. 7 buoy.
Seraph—No. 11 buoy.
Sirdar—No. 11 buoy.
Stormcloud—No. 10 buoy.
Sterling—No. 10 buoy.
Suffolk—North wall.
Thracian—No. 7 buoy.
Foreign Mon-of-War.
Altair—French gunboat.
Argus—French gunboat.
Helena—American gunboat.
Waldeck Roussau—French cruiser.

SALVAGE WORK.

LIVERPOOL AND GLASGOW ASSOCIATION'S ACTIVITIES.

"A year conspicuous for the complete absence of any important casualty which embodied a prospect of salvage in the area of our bases," was a feature of the review given by Mr. G. H. Court, chairman of the committee of the Liverpool and Glasgow Salvage Association at the annual general meeting held in Liverpool.
Mr. Court said there had, of course, been the unfortunate wreck of the Highland Hope off the Farilhoes, but that vessel had become a total loss almost immediately after stranding.
"We have, however, to our credit," he proceeded, "the successful salvage of a number of small craft, and we give to these small cases the same careful attention as is given to the larger type of case. In many instances the margin of value remaining after the damage to the vessel is taken into account is so small that the expenses of salvage must be severely restricted, and in this respect our officers have devised economical methods which have resulted in the preservation of the property with the minimum of encroachment upon this margin."

He re-emphasised the principle that the association existed for the benefit of the commercial community, and not for its own profit, and, therefore, whilst it must, on its salvage side, derive its means of subsistence from the performance of salvage work, in the periods of absence of this work it was fulfilling its mission by maintaining its working units in an efficient and up-to-date condition in readiness for service when required.
In this respect, continued the chairman, the association had not wasted its time. They had had new boilers installed in the Ranger, which was probably, he said, "the best-known salvage steamer in the world," and was certainly not surpassed, either as to fitness for the work for which she was intended, or as to equipment, by any other craft of her type. The association's other vessels, the Restorer and Trover, had also been maintained in the highest state of efficiency.
The cargo department had several important cases to its credit, and was giving complete satisfaction to the commercial community, which make such extensive use of its services. The office department, while having been affected by the general depression in trade, and the absence of important casualties, had in many ways rendered important service. He expressed appreciation of the work of the Glasgow office.

PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. President Pierce on March 13:—
Miss Z. V. Antonova, Miss Margaret H. Byrne, Mr. Eric Dale, Miss Esther H. Goetz, Mrs. C. L. Gutierrez, Miss A. A. M. Gutierrez, Mr. Andrew E. Herdman, Mr. Harry Landau, Mr. C. G. Nutting, Miss Mildred B. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Henri V. Poullain, Mr. John A. Shaw, Mr. C. J. Stellingwerf, Mr. R. V. Swearingen, Mr. Joseph Wilkinson, Mr. R. D. Wrigley, Mr. Mr. Alexander M. Yazyjy.

Per s.s. Taping from Australia on March 13:—
Mr. D. Anderson, Mr. P. J. Brown, Mrs. E. Christie, Mrs. B. V. Colleyshaw, Miss E. Davis, Mr. Geo. Fox, Miss A. Gilt, Miss E. Hobbs, Mr. D. E. James, Mr. A. E. Kettlewell, Mr. and Mrs. Legard and Son, Mrs. W. Lumley, Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Morris, Mrs. L. A. L. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. S. Oldham, Miss Pospeloff, Mr. C. W. Quelch, Mr. D. Shepherd, Mr. G. Milford Smith, Miss D. Williams.

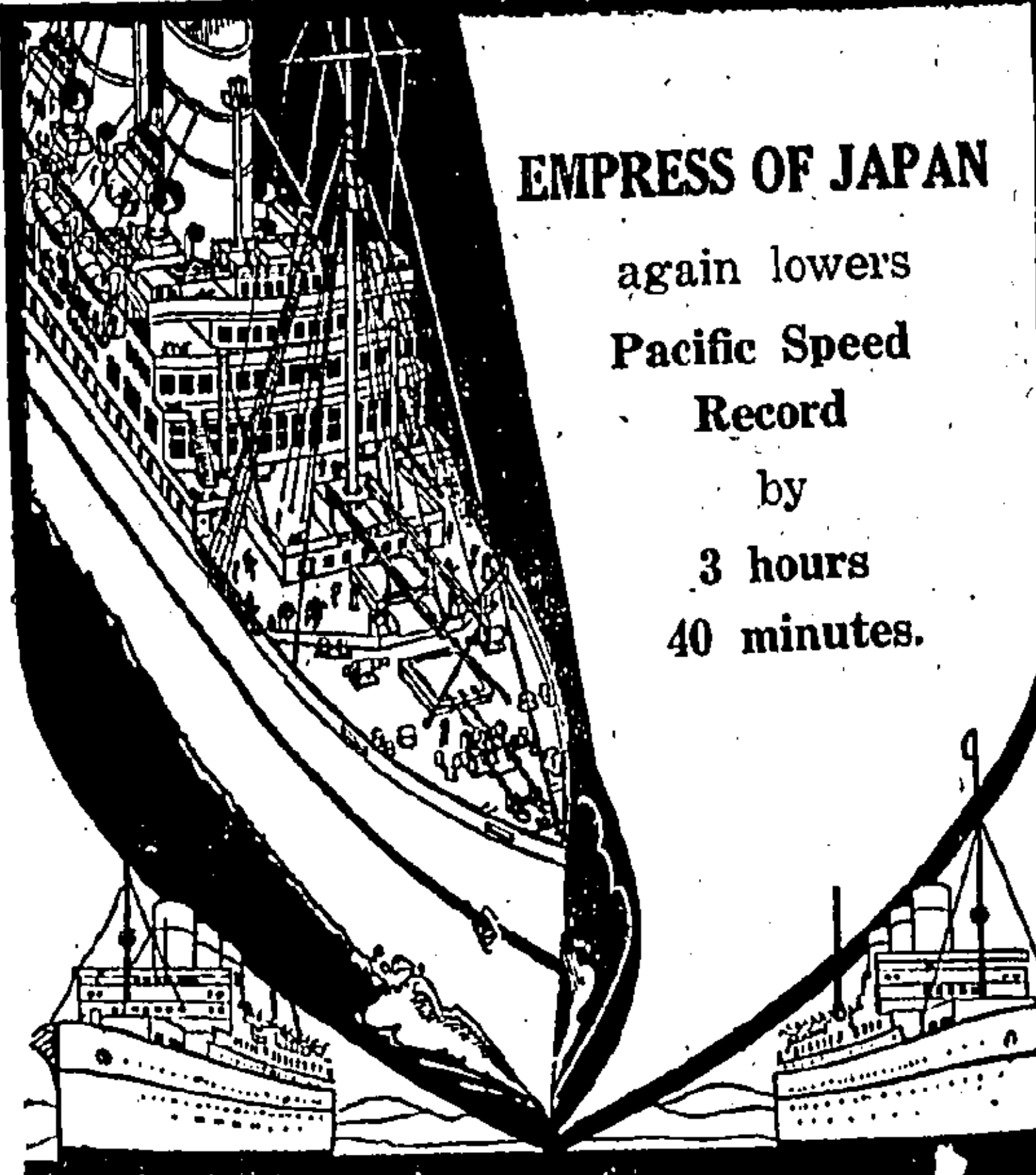
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Consignees of Cargo ex c.a. Hilda are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after March 15. Consignees of cargo ex s.s. City of Khilca are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after March 16.

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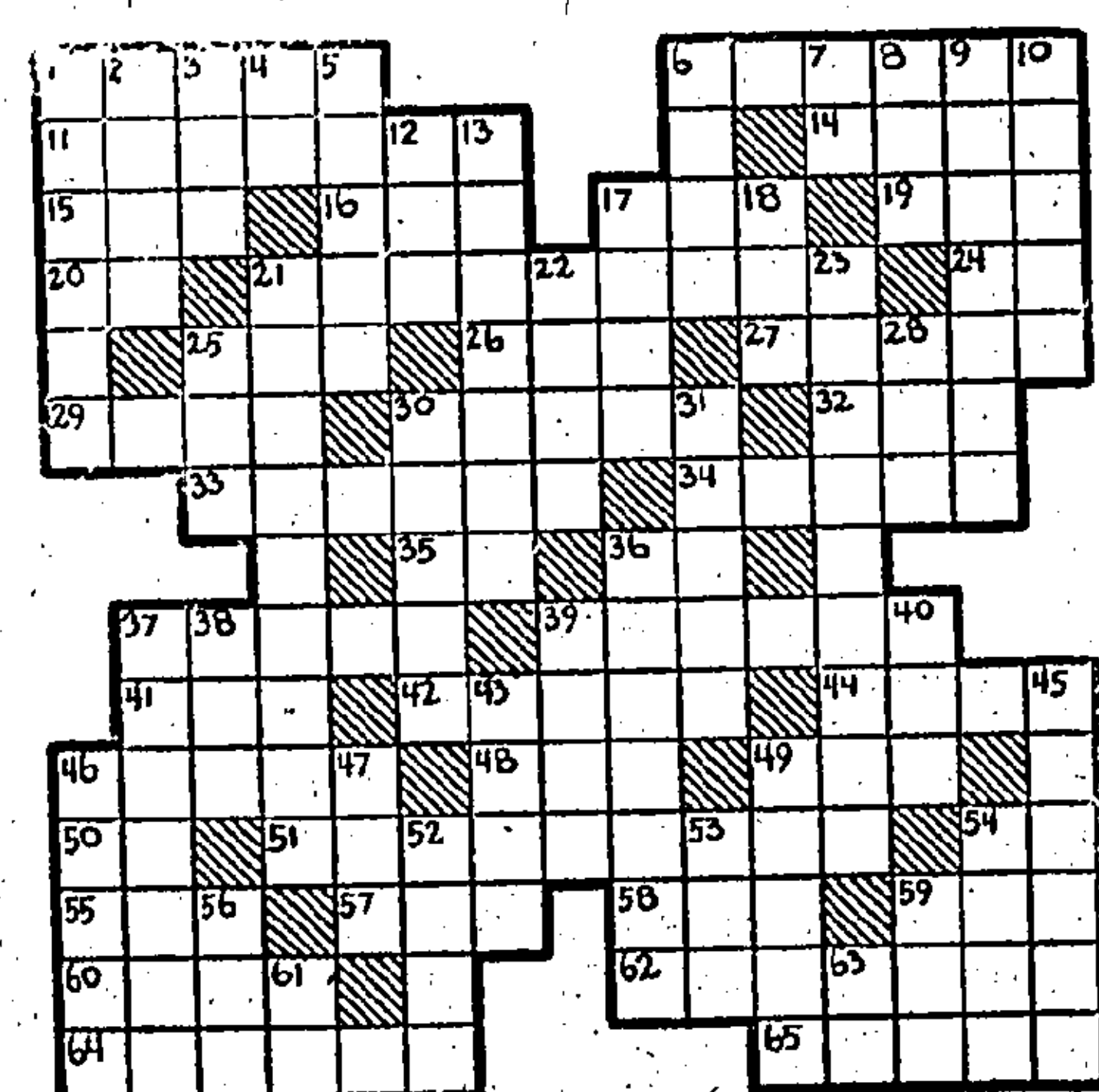
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- Desert animal
- Divide into two parts
- Ill-omened
- To move
- Combining form—middle
- Prefix—before
- Time-period
- Symbol for manganese
- Scow for ain
- Associate of Arts (abbr.)
- Processed
- State-ax
- To put forth, as strength
- Close to
- Paine
- Author of "The Raven"
- Mistake
- Bad in the highest degree
- Musical note
- Thus
- Front
- Star
- River in Russian Turkestan
- Pertaining to Asia
- Male children
- Apolly

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 48-To place
- 60-French for "the"
- 61-Buildings or structures
- 64-Egyptian sun-god
- 65-A single thing
- 67-Short for Nathaniel
- 68-Combining form—new
- 69-A river in Switzerland
- 80-A sea in S. Russia
- 82-To put in proper order
- 84-A dweller in any place
- 85-Terminated

VERTICAL

- 1-Frequent or usual
- 2-Be it
- 3-Prefix—wrong
- 4-Half an em
- 5-Galloped with steady motion
- 6-Capital of Switzerland
- 7-Steamship (abbr.)
- 8-Greek letter, long E
- 9-Tobacco rolled in thin paper
- 10-To give remedies to
- 12-Yeah

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 13-Fit or spill
- 17-Body of matter on a written page
- 21-Murder of a parent
- 22-Sailors
- 23-Sends by express
- 25-Have (Scott)
- 26-Greek goddess of the dawn
- 30-Saxon chief, brother of Hengist
- 31-Had taken oath to
- 37-City of Florence (Italian)
- 38-A wall
- 39-Earthly sediment carried by water
- 40-Habitual drunkard
- 43-A denomination
- 45-Looked badly
- 46-To exhibit evil inclination
- 47-Eagle
- 49-To breathe noisily
- 50-In sleep
- 52-A compass point
- 53-Over, contracted
- 54-To be furious with anger
- 56-Vast time-period
- 59-Conjunction
- 61-Musical note
- 63-Indefinite article

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)



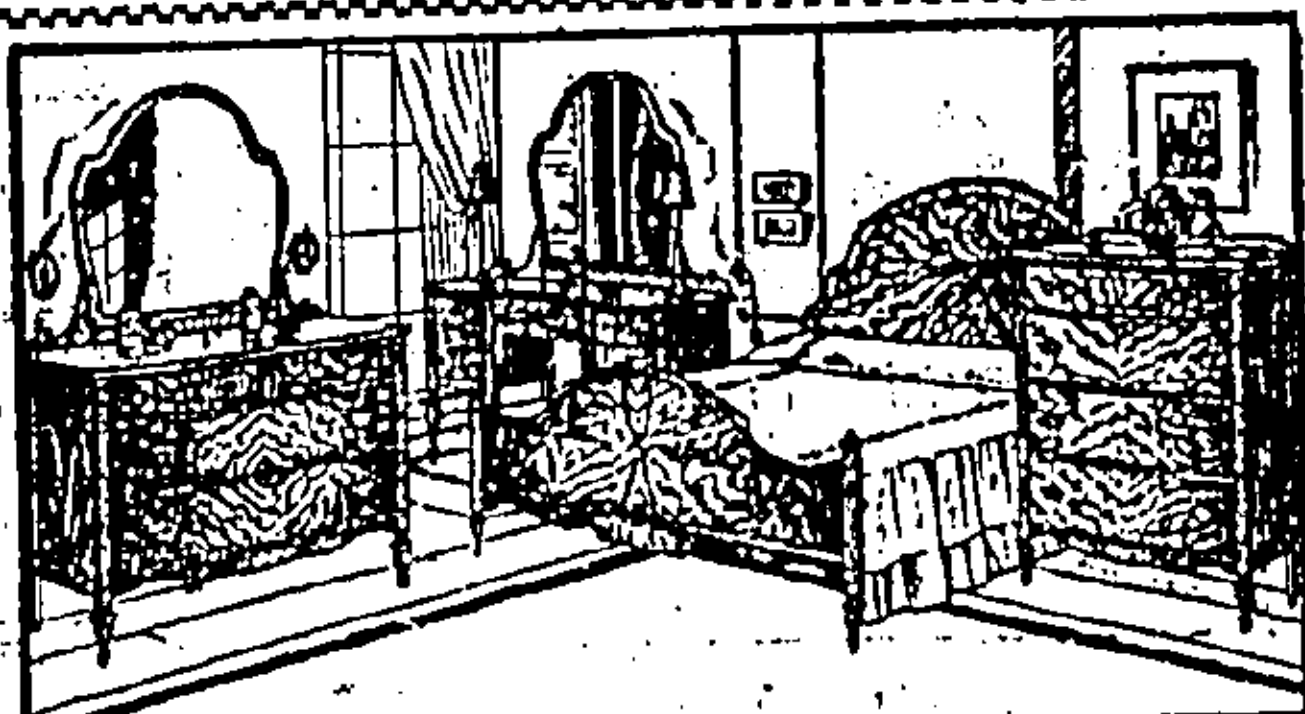
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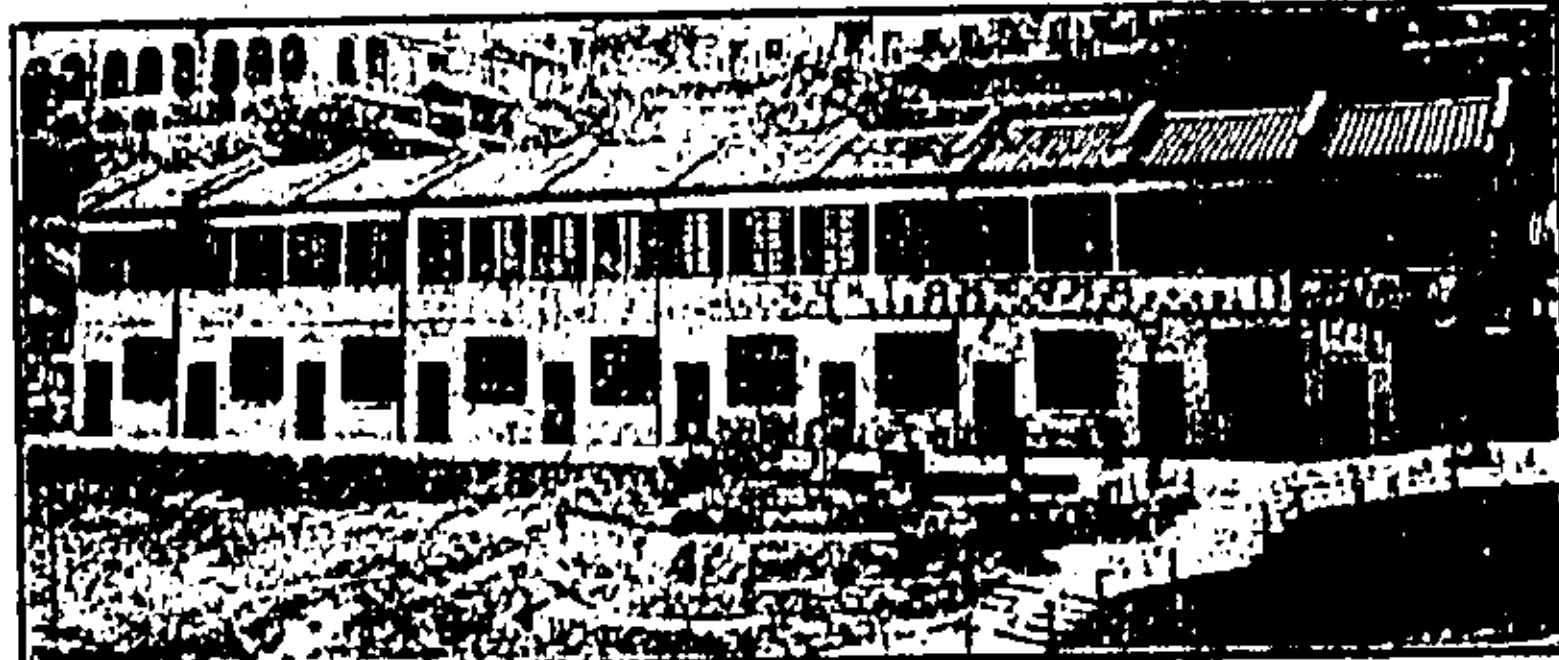
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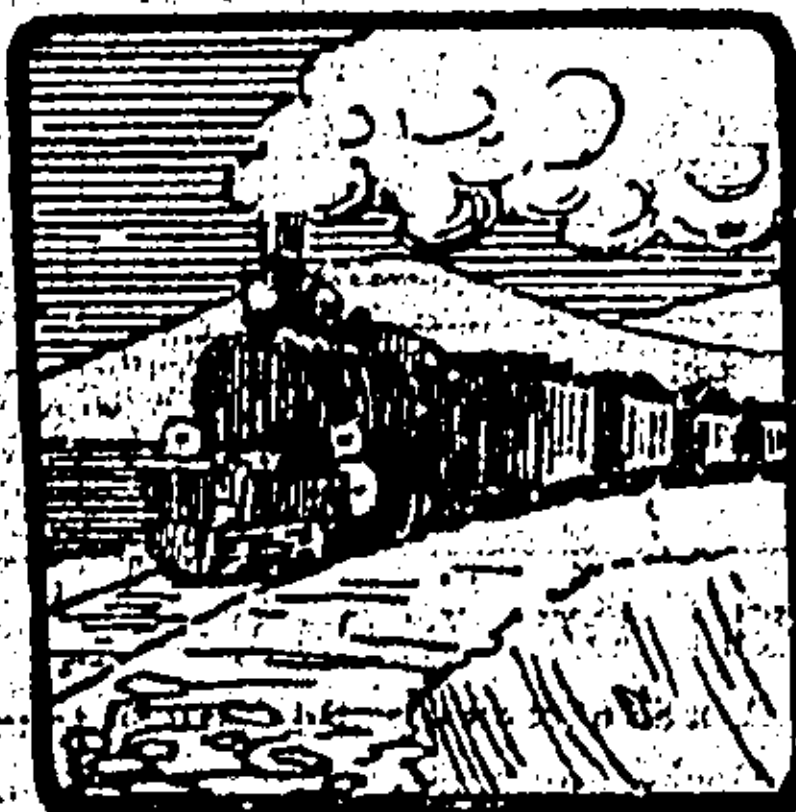
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ADVERSARIA.

"Without fear, favour or malice."

Brighter
Company
Meetings.

The prophets are
with us again. The
Company
Marconi unfold the
forms of our chair-
men of companies, and share-
holders' meetings, no longer the
solemn and vapid seances
of mathematical legerdemain,
assume the academic graces of
the lecture-room. Our chairmen,
noble fellows that they are, are
zealous not to bore; a few grand-
scale figures roll off their tongues.
It is true, but they must interest,
they must amuse, they must in-
struct! Already we see the gown
replacing the black vest and
striped trousers, and the ermine
hood the pink camella, and we
listen with that honeyed sense of
satisfaction that Tennyson knew
so well how to describe, to these
worthies giving a dissertation on
warfare, the future of radio tele-
phony, or any subject that will
make glad the heart of an Editor.

And why, indeed,
Why Dull the more philoso-
phic of us may
well ask; should a
company meeting be a dull affair?

A little more colour, a little more
romance, a little more gaiety, and
we could swallow with a much
braver smile the insinuation that
the directors' fees should be in-
creased. If I were the director
of a public company I should have
chocolate eclairs and frappees
served in the Board room, by
sweet young things in scarlet
uniforms. Expensive Turkish
cigarettes would be handed round
and the meeting might open with
a dignified eighteenth century
ballad or a step dance by the

Chairman. It would give the
meeting an atmosphere of bon
homie and people would become
shareholders for the mere joy of
joining our soirees. This is not
so facetious as you might
imagine. They do this kind of
thing in France, I believe—and
look how France has cornered all
the gold. Foreign financiers are
simply charmed into yielding to
demands. Ushered into a rose-
red salon, they are seated next to
beautiful, perfumed women,
handed fragrant cigars, coaxed
and petted, coddled and preened,
until they beam inwardly and
outwardly and are ready to do
any mortal thing with their
fountain pens.

* * *
Too Blase! blase 'in Hong
Kong' to fall prey to
these exotic allurements, but I
think a brighter note could be in-
troduced to some of our meetings.
A little music, for example, would
be appreciated during the reading
of the Secretary's report—Bach's
"Concerto in A Minor" for in-
stance—with an interlude at the
conclusion for coffee. The Chair-
man, refreshed and genial, would
then clear his throat and give a
discreet lecture on the civil war in
China or the possibilities of
speaking to our fiances in London
by telephone, introducing
(purely by the way, of course,
and in a deprecatory manner)
such sordid matters as dollars and
dividends. Then would follow
more coffee or meranges, a little
light music of the French school,
and shareholders would gently
question, parry, demur, or retire.
It would be as well, perhaps, to
have a master of ceremonies for
these occasions, and I have in
mind one gentleman—a director
of an important local company—
who has a perfect flair for bowing
and smiling and being 'deferential'. The only difficulty is that
these meetings would become so
popular that larger rooms would
have to be taken and, if the pro-
ceedings concluded with a dance,
they might have to be held in one
of the hotels.

Unfortunately my suggestion
comes rather late and most of the
company meetings for this year
are over; but I look forward
with anticipation to next year's
meetings, and hope that some of
the more soulful shareholders will
give it their consideration. Pro-
vided I receive sufficient support
I am quite willing to call a con-
ference in the City Hall with a
view to organising a 'Brighter
Meetings Campaign' and shall be
glad to receive correspondence on
the matter.

* * *
They say that
one never per-
fectly under-
stands Shake-
speare until

maturity. Not having reached
the bald patch and iron-grey
stage, I am yet a little more tem-
pered by the blustering winds of
Life than when, four years ago,
I was a pale and poetic passenger
outward bound for the magic
East; and coming back to Shake-
speare after a long and shameful
interval, I find in his writings
many new and surprising pro-
phecies. I have discovered, for
example, that Shakespeare knew
all about cars; he must have bor-
rowed Mrs. Hecate's witch-bowl

and peered with his uncanny in-
sight into the unborn, incipient
mind of Mr. Henry Ford. Let me
give you a few quotations to illus-
trate my meaning. That the
Bard knew all about noisy en-
gines is revealed by the following,
from Hamlet (Act I Scene 4):
"Thou art in complete steel,
Revisited thus the glimpses of the
moon,
Making night hideous."
Further familiarity with auto-
mobile engines (over-oiling) is
shown by this:—
"The rankiest compound of villain-
ous smell that ever offended nostril,"
(Merry Wives of Windsor).
Shakespeare would seem to
have heard of insurance policies
(especially those with flaws):
"Never did base and rotten policy
Cover her working with more deadly
wound."
(Henry IV.)

Then again, he refers to traffic
congestion in the manner of the
complete motorist:
"Why, one that rode to his execution
Could never go so slow."
(Cymbeline).
Of the policeman on traffic duty
he is equally eloquent:
"Look, with what courteous action
It waves you on."
(Hamlet).

The passage in Macbeth in
which Duncan says: "Let me not
burst" shows a familiarity with
tyre trouble, as does:
"Here will be an old abusing
of God's patience and the King's En-
glish," (Merry Wives of Windsor).
These extracts should of them-
selves be enough to convince any-
one that Shakespeare was a
motorist; but his attitude to
pedestrians puts the matter en-
tirely beyond doubt:—
"You are not worth the dust which
the rude wind
Blows in your face."
(King Lear).

Let me conclude by drawing
your attention to the Merry
Wives of Windsor, in which, it
will be remembered, a certain
Ford did undoubtedly request Sir
John Falstaff to take half a bag
of money, or all of it, for "easing
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News in Brief.

The Jurors' List for 1931 is
published in the Government
Gazette.

The Peak Tramways, Ltd., adver-
tise that no late cars will run after
12.05 on Monday morning.

The lowest open air temperature
yesterday was 62 degrees. The
humidity was 61 at 10 a.m. and 48
at 4 p.m.

It is advertised that the Good
Press Day will be celebrated to-
morrow at the Roman Catholic
Cathedral.

The Chief Justice has ordered
that a Special Assizes be held on
Monday. The ordinary Assizes
will open on Wednesday.

It is notified that the name of
the Victoria Food Products Com-
pany, Limited, has been struck off
the Register of companies.

At the Rotary Club dinner on
Tuesday the speaker will be Dr.
David Z. T. Yui General Secre-
tary, National Committee, Y.M.C.A.
China.

The forthcoming wedding is an-
nounced of John Edward Ward,
clerk in Government Service, of 6,
Morrison Gap Road, and Dolly
Luiza Maher, of the same address.

His Excellency the Governor has
accepted the resignation by Second
Lieutenant Herbert Ernest Duncan
Adams of his Commission in the
Volunteer Corps, with effect from
February 26.

His Excellency the Governor has
re-appointed provisionally and sub-
ject to His Majesty's pleasure, the
Hon. Sir Henry Edward Pollock,
K.C., to be an Unofficial member of
the Executive Council for a further
period of five years, with effect from
March 1.

The Governor in Council has de-
clared that the Dangerous Drugs
Ordinance, 1923, shall henceforth
apply to di-hydro-morphine and
its salts and any preparation,
admixture, extract or other sub-
stance containing any proportion of
di-hydro-morphine.

General Sir Arthur Currie,
G.C.M.G., K.C.M.G., K.C.B., C.B.,
arrived in the Colony yesterday on
the P. & O. s.s. Karmala, after hav-
ing represented Canada at the
inauguration of New Delhi. Sir
Arthur is staying in the Peninsula
Hotel, and will proceed on his
journey homeward in a few days.

Mr. R. R. Todd, Assistant
Superintendent of Imports and
Exports, giving evidence before Mr.
W. Schofield in the Central Police
Court yesterday, alleged that there
was organised traffic in opium be-
tween Canton and Hong Kong. The
case was one in which three men
were charged in connection with a
big seizure on the steamer Kwong
Tung on March 8.

VOLUNTEER CORPS

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Volunteer Defence Corps Orders
issued by Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird,
D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant, state:

PARADES.

Corps Band.

The Band will parade at the
Music Room, City Hall on Monday,
at 5.30 p.m. sharp, for Band Prac-
tice.

The Band is also asked to attend
on Fridays, the Portuguese Com-
pany parades, until after G.O.C.'s
Inspection, for March practice.

Band Recruits are reminded that
a Recruit Class will be held each
Monday at Headquarters for prac-
tice. It is very essential that all
attend the parades.

There will be a parade in the
Miniature Range at 5.30 p.m. on
Tuesday. Those requiring aiming
practice will attend at 5 p.m. This
is a voluntary parade.

There will be a practice parade
for the G.O.C.'s Inspection on
Thursday at 5.30 p.m. at Head-
quarters. Every member is expect-
ed to attend.

Musketry.
Those members who have been
notified are required to fire Part II,
Table T at Stonecutters range on
next Sunday. Any member desir-
ous of firing again can do so
but he must inform O. C. Battery
in good time. Particulars later.

Engineer Company.
To-morrow, team shoot with R. E.
at Peak Range. Start 9.30 a.m.
Dress: Mufti with rifles only, no
bayonets.

Monday, Miniature Range shoot.
Sunday, March 22 Part II, Class
Firing and Company Shoot at
Stonecutters. Dress: Uniform or
Mufti optional. Equipment and
bayonets must be taken. Launch
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Parade on Thursday for Arms
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No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters
at 5.30 p.m. under Captain H. R.
Forsyth.

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock
under Lieut. G. Duncan, M.B.E.
Portuguese Company.

The Company will parade at
Headquarters on Friday at 5.30
p.m. for Arms and Foot Drill and
Practice Marching with Corps
Band.

Dress: Belts and sidearms and
Rifles.

Musketry. No. 12A Platoon will
proceed to Stonecutters on Sunday,
March 22.

Details as issued in Corps
Orders for Casuals.

Allotment of Peak Range.
Peak Range will be allotted to
Scottish Company on March 29,
1931.

Appointments.
No. 80 R.Q.M.S. H. Green is ap-
pointed Acting Regimental Ser-
geant Major and Acting President
of the Sergeants' Mess vice R.S.M.
W. H. Edmunds on leave.

Struck Off The Strength.
Having been dismissed from the
Corps:—

No. 1126 Pte. J. A. Basto, No.
12 Platoon, dismissed on 3.2.31.

No. 1144 Pte. J. R. Soares, No. 12
Platoon, dismissed on 3.2.31.

Leave.
Lieut. L. F. Nicholson, Battery,
granted 7 months' leave from 1.4.31
to 31.10.31.

No. 188 Sergt. W. H. C. Robson,
Armoured Car Company, Car Sec-
tion, returned from leave on
10.12.30.

(Sgd.) W. H. G. COATES,
Captain,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

NOTICE.
The Annual Corps Rifle Meeting
will take place at Stonecutters
Range on Friday, April 3 and
Saturday, April 4. Launch will
leave Queen's Pier at 8.15 a.m. on

both days, calling at Kowloon Police
Pier at 8.35 a.m.
Friday April 3.
9.00 a.m.—Blake Shield and Mus-
ketry Cup.
9.30 a.m.—Francis' Cup.
2.30 p.m.—Jar Competition and
Reserves Challenge Cup.
3.15 p.m.—Attack Competition.
Saturday April 4.
9.00 a.m.—Corps Championship
and Tyro Competition.
The Revolver Competition (Corps
and All-Comers) will be fired both
days: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday,
April 3 and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on
Saturday, April 4.

Entries. Intending competitors
must send in their names accom-
panied by entry fees not later than
Tuesday, March 24 to the Hon.
Secretary, Rifle Meeting, Volunteer
Headquarters.

Entry Fees. All individual events
\$1 per event. Team competitions
50 cents per man with exception of
the Revolver Competition for which
the fee is 20 cents per entry
(entries unlimited), made on the
range.

Competitors will make their own
arrangements for tiffin. The
canteen will be in operation.

There will be a parade in the
Miniature Range at 5.30 p.m. on
Tuesday. Those requiring aiming
practice will attend at 5 p.m. This
is a voluntary parade.

There will be a practice parade
for the G.O.C.'s Inspection on
Thursday at 5.30 p.m. at Head-
quarters. Every member is expect-
ed to attend.

Musketry.
Those members who have been
notified are required to fire Part II,
Table T at Stonecutters range on
next Sunday. Any member desir-
ous of firing again can do so
but he must inform O. C. Battery
in good time. Particulars later.

Engineer Company.
To-morrow, team shoot with R. E.
at Peak Range. Start 9.30 a.m.
Dress: Mufti with rifles only, no
bayonets.

Monday, Miniature Range shoot.
Sunday, March 22 Part II, Class
Firing and Company Shoot at
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ROUND THE CINEMAS

WILL ROGERS HEADS STAR CAST.

"SO THIS IS LONDON."

An example of perfect casting is in evidence in the Fox Movietone talkie, "So This Is London," starring Will Rogers and directed by John G. Blystone.

The very essential roles are those of a family of titled British folk, "Lord and Lady Percy Worthing" and their daughter "Elinor Worthing."

Lumsden-Hare, who has been 30 years on stage and screen, the major portion of his experience on the London stage and a Briton, plays the role of "Lord Worthing." Mary Forbes, 100 per cent. British, the mother of Ralph Forbes, plays the role of "Lady Worthing" and Maureen O'Sullivan, who won fame in John McCormack's first starring picture for Fox Movietone, the role of "Elinor."

Obviously Rogers is ideal as the Texan owner of a large cotton mill, Irene Rich perfect as his wife, and surely a typical American son of an American father is Frank Albertson. Add to that Bramwell Fletcher, a Briton, who started his career on the London stage and only recently went to America, playing the role of "Alfred Honeycutt," and the idealism is complete.

"So This Is London," which is starring at the Queen's Theatre, was written for Movietone by Owen Davis, sen., from the stage play which George M. Cohan so successfully produced.

"HIT THE DECK."

One of the most striking dance numbers ever presented on the talking screen is a feature of Radio Pictures' musical comedy, "Hit the Deck," showing for the last time to-day in the Central Theatre.

The mermaid dance is the novel number which has won acclaim from all who have seen it. Trained by Pearl Eaton, famous New York dance director, the girls present a routine that is altogether new in



"Shameless rascals. Can't you respect my grey hairs?"
Gutiérrez, Madrid.

its steps and movements. More than 300 people take part in and form a background for this clever number.

Jack Oakie and Polly Walker, featured in "Hit the Deck," also present the latest dance steps in this nautical musical comedy.

"LITTLE ACCIDENT."

Remember the little girl at school who always bound up the cut fingers and took splinters out? Usually, she started by mending her baby dolls and when she got into high school she was the girl who could turn back an eye-lid over a lead pencil and take a cinder out of a kid's eye!

Anita Page was that kind of a girl—and still is. In fact, she's what is traditionally known as a "born nurse." And having been told so from little girl days, by the time she reached high school, Anita was torn between the two longings—to become a trained nurse or go on the stage.

Her parents encouraged the former idea. There had never been any "professionals" in the family and moving picture careers were hazardous for pretty young daughters.

But Fate ultimately decided that Anita Page should go into pictures—or was it a glimpse into a mirror? At any rate, a girl of fifteen may work in Summer vacations as an extra in pictures. No hospital will start a girl in training to be a nurse before she is eighteen. So Anita Page hid herself to a studio on Long Island and before long she succeeded in getting her first "bit" in a picture.

Evidently her mirror hadn't misled her for, small as it was, her part was spared by the shears and even her sceptical parents admitted that the girl's beauty was outstanding when the film was flashed on the screen.

From New York to Hollywood seemed a great distance to Anita in those days and it was increased greatly by her promise to finish high school before definitely deciding that motion pictures were to be her life's work. But the lure of a nurse's uniform faded into the background. In fact, it was almost lost sight of until the pretty blonde actress was cast to play the feminine lead in the Universal picture, "Little Accident," now playing in the Majestic Theatre.

This picture, made from the successful stage play of the same name by Thomas Mitchell and Floyd Dell, has a modern hospital setting and, while Anita Page does not play the role of a nurse, she was reminded of her early ambition whenever she came on to the set.

"I'm glad now that things have worked out the way they have for I enjoy working in pictures," she declares. But one day she surprised every one in the company by appearing in one of the ultra-smart nurse's uniforms which she had borrowed from Gertrude Short, who plays a role in the picture, and the outfit was so becoming that director Craft told her she'd be a menace as a nurse inasmuch as no patient would ever willingly have got well with her around.

Douglas Fairbanks, jun., plays the lead opposite Miss Page in this sparkling comedy; and Slim Summerville, Sally Blane, Zasu Pitts, Joan Marsh, and Henry Armetta are in the splendid supporting cast.

"HIGH SOCIETY BLUES."

In former pictures, Janet Gaynor has either been very poor and Charles Farrell very rich, or vice versa, or both have been very poor. In "High Society Blues," Fox Movietone musical romance, their newest vehicle which opens in the Queen's Theatre to-morrow, both are unusually wealthy, although there is a wide gap in their social positions.

Miss Gaynor, a society debutante, however, doesn't let snobbery interfere with her interest in Farrell, although his social position is far less than hers.

William Collier, sen., Joyce Compton, Hedda Hopper, Louise Fazenda, Lucian Littlefield, and Brandon Hurst are also prominent. David Butler, who made "Sunny Side Up," directed. Five musical numbers have been provided by Joseph McCartney and James F. Hanley. Dan Burnet wrote the story.

"SLIGHTLY SCARLET."

Clive Brook, recently engaged in film-making at Paramount's Long Island studio, celebrated his return to Hollywood by making one of the biggest pictures of his moving picture career, to date. The new Brook vehicle, in which he is co-starred with Evelyn Brent, is "Slightly Scarlet," which will show at the Central Theatre to-morrow.

"Slightly Scarlet" is Brook's first West Coast production since he made "Charming Sinners," with Ruth Chatterton and William Powell. After making the latter picture, he vacationed in Europe, returning to the Long Island studio of Paramount to make "The Return of Sherlock Holmes." After that he appeared with Ruth Chatterton again in "The Laughing Lady."

HOW WILL THE WORLD END?

Gradually Growing Cold Theory Disputed.

The theory that the world will die when its heat energy is dissipated is false, in the belief of Dr. Robert A. Millikan, holder of the Nobel Physics Prize.

At the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science Dr. Millikan, its retiring president, advanced the theory that the world may be replenishing its energy instead of dissipating it. He also expressed the belief the cosmic rays originate not in the stars but in inter-stellar space. A third feature of his speech was a list of the 10 discoveries, or developments, which, in

his opinion, had most marked the advance of science in the last 100 years.

Concerning the second theory, Dr. Millikan said experiment proved that when cosmic radiations reached earth they had not passed through sufficient matter to demonstrate their origin in the stars.

Existing Conditions. "These atom building processes," he said, "cannot take place under the conditions of temperature and pressure existing in the sun and stars, the heat of those bodies having to be maintained presumably by the atom-annihilating process taking place there."

He presented experimental evidence that the cosmic radiations were signals telling of the formation, out of hydrogen, of helium, oxygen, silicon, iron, sulphur and other common elements in inter-stellar space.

Hydrogen may also be replenished itself there, he suggested, from the "only form of energy that we know to be all the time leaking out from the stars to inter-stellar space—namely radiant energy."

Views of Sir J. Jeans. In regard to the theory that the world might not be doomed to final extinction, Dr. Millikan said:

"If Sir James Jeans (the British scientist who believes the world is dying) prefers to hold one view and I another, no one can say my nay. The one thing of which you may be quite sure is that neither of us knows anything about it. But for the continuous building up of the common elements out of hydrogen in the depths of inter-stellar space, the cosmic rays furnish excellent experimental evidence."

Great Discoveries. The 10 discoveries which Dr. Millikan put forward as the most influential on the development of science in the last 100 years were:

Discovery of equivalence of heat and work and consequent formulation of the principle of conservation of energy, which he characterized as "probably the most far-reaching physical principle ever developed."

Discovery and formulation of the second law of thermodynamics, which is interpreted by some as necessitating the eventual "cold death" of the universe and the final extinction of all activity.

Discovery of the facts of evolution, showing that, in geology and biology, the process of creation, or upbuilding from lower to higher forms, has been continuous for "millions upon millions" of years.

Radium. With the isolation of the radium element and ascertaining of the mean lifetime of its atoms, the discovery that the dogma of immutable elements was "definitely wrong."

Discovery of the enormous lifetime of the earth, assigned at least a billion and a half years, and the greater lifetimes of the sun and stars.

Development of evidence for the interconvertibility of mass and energy.

Discovery that the elements are all definitely built up out of hydrogen, the discovery deferring the mortality of the earth until all hydrogen is consumed.

Suggestions of astronomers that complete annihilation of positive and negative electrons within the atomic nucleus can take place, again extending the possible longevity of the universe.

Measurements by Dr. F. W. Aston, English physicist, on relative masses of the atoms, making it possible to subject to a new test the Einstein formula for the relation between mass and energy.

In these modern times a great many people have the idea that the county cricket skipper is a mere figurehead, his chief qualification being a sufficiency of money to enable him to spend five months of the year in fannels. With that idea I most heartily disagree.—A. W. Carr.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres:—

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11.30 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.
7-7.43 p.m.—Variety.
Orchestral—
Egyptian Serenade,
The London Novelty Orch. (139).

Song—
Sir Harry Lauder Song Medley,
Hector Gordon & the Singing Scotties (174).

Dialogue—
a. Piano Impressions,
b. The British Fantomime,
Mr. Flotsam & Mr. Jetsam (359).

Instrumental Duet—
Nigger Town,
Vibrante Banjo by Ernest Jones; Piano by Jack Venables (5583).

Laughter Record—
A Warm Corner,
Leslie Henson, Heather Thatcher, Austin Melford & Prince's Theatre, London Company (146).

Organ Solo—
With a Song in my Heart,
Quentin M. Maclean (46).
An Old Time Sing Song,
Descriptive with Charles Coburn in the Chair. (21).

Pianoforte Solo—
A Cottage for Sale,
Fred Olding (188).
7.43-8 p.m.—
Midsummer Night's Dream—
Overture (Mendelssohn),
Sir Henry J. Wood and the New Queen's Hall Orchestra (9553-60).

8-8.45 p.m.—Orchestral & Band Music.
Paul Rubens Memories (Rubens),
Ivan Caryll Memories (Caryll),
Debroy Somers Band (9882).
Three Dances from Henry VIII. (German).
The Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra (5577).

Regimental Marches,
National Military Band, conducted by Stanford Robinson (239).
Echoes of the Valley (Gennin),
The Merry Brothers (Gennin),
The Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra (9821).

Classical Memories (Ewing),
Debroy Somers Band (9901).
The Bullfighters March (Kottmann).
The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (304).
8.45-9 p.m.—Two Octets.
Memories of Johann Strauss (arr. Willoughby),
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (203).

Praeludium (Jarnetich),
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet (9096).
9 p.m.—Weather Report, Local Time, etc.
9-9.30 p.m.—Concert Items.

Pianoforte Solo—
Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12 (Liszt),
William Murdoch (9282).
Vocal Duet—
The Magic Flute—The Manly Heart (Mozart),
Miriam Licette and Dennis Noble (9503).

Violin Solo—
Cavatina (Raff),
Cavatina Arthur Catterall (9439).
Song—
The Organ Blower (McGill & Baker),
Raymond Nowell, Baritone (206).

9.30-11.30 p.m.—Dance Programme.
Fox Trot—
Sunny Sundowner Land,
Daughter of the Latin Quarter. (162).
More Than You Know,
Slow Fox Trot—
What Good am I Without You. (191).
Songs I Heard at Mother's Knee,
Waltz—
Down the Land to Home (188).
Comedy Fox Trot—
Put Your Worries Through the Mangle,
Fox Trot—
Wonder Bar (195).
One Step—
Yol Yo! Mr. Cohen,
Fox Trot—
What's the Matter Able (189).
Slow Fox Trot—
Don't Tell Her What's Happened,
Fox Trot—
Never Swat a Fly (196).
Waltz—
You Will Remember Vienna,
Fox Trot—
I Bring a Love Song (200).
Memories of You,
You're Lucky to Me (206).
Slow Fox Trot—
A Little Love Song,
Fox Trot—
My Desire (187).
Slow Fox Trot—
Just a Little Dance Mam'elle,
Waltz—
The Silver Toned Chimes of the Angels (201).
Fox Trot—
Wanted It Nice,
Take Along a Little Love (160).
One Step—
You're Gonna Be Young,
Sittin' on a Five Barred Gate. (197).
Fox Trot—
Oh Donna Clara,
Waltz—
Little Russian Rose (159).
Fox Trot—
Go Home & Tell Your Mother,
Slow Fox Trot—
I'm Doin' That Thing (171).
Fox Trot—
Dear, Dear,
In the Cool of the Evening (187).
Waltz—
It's for You,
Fox Trot—
Why am I so Romantic (161).
Little Tommy Tucker—I Have no Words,
Slow Fox Trot—
Let's Be Sentimental (168).
Waltz—
My Hero,
The Merry Widow (9460).
In the Cool of the Evening (187).
11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.
To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.
To-night—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel, Repulse Bay Hotel and Hotel Cecil.
March 17—St. Patrick's Society's Ball, Peninsula Hotel.
March 20—Yorkshire Society's Dinner.

Entertainments.
To-day—Queen's Theatre.
"So This Is London."
To-day—Central Theatre.
"Hit the Deck."
To-day—Majestic Theatre.
"Little Accident."
To-day—Star Theatre.
"It."
To-day—World Theatre.
"When a Brother Sacrifices." (Chinese picture).
To-day—"Art & Mrs. Bottle" by A.D.C., Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m. Sports.
See Sport Diary on page 9.

March 16—A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.
March 18—Green Island Cement Co., Exchange Building, 11.30 a.m.
March 18—Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Road, noon.
March 20—Hong Kong Automobile Association, Jardine Matheson Board Room, 5.30 p.m.
March 30—Society of St. George, Jardine Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

Home Malls.
To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Saarlund).
Lammerts Auction.
March 18—At 8, Peak Mansion, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.
Miscellaneous.
March 23—St. Joseph's College prize distribution, 5 p.m.

CHURCHES

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ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONG KONG.
March 15, 1931, 4th Sunday in Lent, Rothering Sunday.
Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
Holy Communion (Peak Church), 8 a.m.
Children's Service, 10 a.m.
Matins and Sermon, 11 a.m.
Preacher: Rev. H. V. Koop.
Subject: "Is Christian Science Christianity?"
Holy Communion, 12.15 p.m.
Evensong, 6 p.m.
Lecture at 6.30 p.m. followed by discussion.
Subject: "What of Sunday?"
Lecturer: The Dean.

UNION CHURCH, Kennedy Road, Hong Kong.
Sunday, March 15, 1931.
Children's Sunday.
Morning Service, Broadcast, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Social Hour after Evening Service, Broadcast, 8 p.m.
Preacher: Rev. E. C. Powell.

GOOD PRESS DAY.

The Good Press Day will be celebrated at the Catholic Cathedral on Sunday, March 15.
Morning Service: High Mass at 8 o'clock.
Afternoon Service: Rosary, Sermon & Benediction at 4 o'clock.
The Band of the St. Louis Industrial School will be in attendance in the afternoon.

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Subject: "Substance."
The Sunday School is held on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.
Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 o'clock.
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Winsome Janet Gaynor who will be appearing with Charles Farrell in "High Society Blues" on Sunday in the Queen's Theatre.

WAS JULIUS CAESAR A "DOG" FAN?

Greyhound Racing in
A.D. 150.

AGED PROOFS.

How old is greyhound racing in England? Most people might say "three or four years," but in fact it has centuries of history in this country.

Our greyhound racing, the chasing of a mechanical hare, is merely a development of coursing, the chasing of a live hare, and the sport which last year drew attendances totalling 17,000,000 at tracks licensed by the Greyhound Racing Club, was enjoyed by the Romans in the days when they ruled Britain.

In A.D. 150, Arrian, the Latin historian, wrote of coursing, while in our museums may be seen examples of Roman pottery on the outside of which greyhound racing scenes are depicted. Perhaps these "pots" were forerunners of those which are competed for to-day.

The first-known English rules for coursing a hare were drawn up in Queen Elizabeth's reign by Thomas, Duke of Norfolk, though public trials were not introduced until the time of Charles I. Swaffham, in Norfolk, has the distinction of having the oldest coursing club in the country. It was founded by Lord Orford in 1760, and the Altcar Club, near Liverpool, which sponsors the Waterloo Cup, did not come into being until 1825. The Waterloo meeting is so called because its founders were at that time the proprietors of the Waterloo Hotel, Liverpool, writes The Sports Dispatch.

The development of the sport from the field to the track came in 1926, when the mechanical hare was introduced to the public at the Belle Vue, Manchester, track. This form of greyhound chasing proved an immediate success, and there are now 37 greyhound racing tracks in England, Scotland, and Wales, licensed by the N.G.R.C.

High prices are paid for the track-racing greyhounds, the record being £2,000 for Mick the Miller, and there are valuable prizes to be won. The principal "classic" events are the greyhound Derby, the St. Leger, the Cesarewitch, the Scoury Gold Cup, and the Laurels.

AGE OLD GHOST AND A FOX-HOUND.

Disinclination to Hunt
Near a Well.

DATING BACK TO 1144.

Cockfosters, England.
An 800-year-old ghost is placing the Indian sign on Major Smith-Bosanquet's hounds, it seems.

For the third time one of the fox-hounds has shied near the same spot when out with the pack. The spot is where local legends locate the well in which the Earl of Essex, convicted of high treason, is reputed to have been drowned in 1144.

Elsewhere the dog is one of the keenest in the chase.

Other dogs in previous years have shown a similar disinclination to hunt at that spot.—Associated Press.

CAPT. SASSOON BUYS WEST INDIES.

Season's Sensation in
Steeplechasing.

FORMER BAD LUCK.

Capt. R. E. Sassoon has purchased the brilliant young 'chaser, West Indies, from Mr. C. B. Rowe. The mare will remain under the care of Percy Woodland. The price paid has not been disclosed.

West Indies' performances have been the feature of this season's 'chasing. She ran for the first time over fences in public at Newbury in December, and won by a distance. She has had two outings since, winning on both occasions with great ease.

Capt. Sassoon, who will ride West Indies in the future races, has always shown remarkable enthusiasm in the pursuit of his hobby. Last year, he gave 3,100gs. for Newsboy with a view to winning the Grand National. The horse carried his owner at Aintree, but fell, injuring his rider.

Newsboy did not win a race for Capt. Sassoon, and was destroyed in December.

Capt. Sassoon used to ride in spectacles, but thanks to the skill, full treatment of a West End specialist, his sight has been restored to normal.

GOSSIP IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

KAYE DON WITH SILVER BULLET WILL ATTEMPT
TO BREAK CAPT. CAMPBELL'S RECORD

TILDEN'S MAGNIFICENT DEBUT.

AUSTRALIAN WICKETS TOO SLOW FOR
WEST INDIAN FAST BOWLERS

BRITISH DAVIS CUP SET-BACK.

For the first time Athletics, on record in connection with the Oxford and Cambridge sports, each competitor in the 440 yards race was given his own station throughout.

The plan was tried for the final of the 400 metres race at the Olympic Games of 1912 and has been followed at subsequent Olympiads. Until this meeting, however, the A.A.A. had not arranged for separate stations for competitors in championship races above the furlong.

Now that the 'Varsity authorities have set the example, it may be followed elsewhere. It will be all to the good if the British and Dominion authorities adopt regulations and conditions like those which will apply at Los Angeles in 1932.

Men have to get used to running a "quarter" in strings, as it means judging pace properly, if in an outside station. Moreover, until the final straight is reached, the competitors cannot properly judge their relative position with their rivals.

The authorities throughout the Empire should also pay considerable attention to relay racing, so as to provide the cracks with much needed training in passing on the baton.

The new bowling green in Hyde Park will be opened in the first week in May.

Mr. Lansbury, First Commissioner of Works, and the Labour party bowlers are anxious to celebrate the occasion worthily, and a side representing Lords and Commons is being formed to engage park players. The Parliamentary leader will be Mr. F. O. Roberts, Minister of Pensions, who is an enthusiast with the woods, as with the fiddle.

Kid Berg, the Stepmey Boxing, "whirlwind," declares that he wants to emulate the great Cornishman, Bob Fitzsimmons—win three titles and hold them all.

He is junior welterweight champion now, and wants the lightweight and welterweight titles, too. He defeated Goldie Hess in Chicago recently and thus retained the junior welterweight title.

J. R. Capablanca, Chess, former world's chess champion, has sent a formal challenge to Dr. Alexander Alekhine, the present holder of the title, in which he asks for a title match before the Spring. If this is refused he will claim the title through Dr. Alekhine's default.

"Why were we beaten at cricket? Because the Australians didn't drink."

This statement by Lady Astor during the debate over the Prohibition Bill provided great amusement and was the cause of a Press interview with Lord Tennyson on the Olympic in mid-Atlantic.

Lord Tennyson maintained that the Australians won simply because they were the better cricketers.

Mr. A. W. Carr, the Notts Captain, suggested that the Commons should mind their own business, Jack Hobbs declined to be drawn into the controversy observing, "I am a teetotaler, but I do not wish to impose my views on anyone."

Mr. Mallett at the Victorian Cricket Association's farewell to the West Indies, said: "One reason for the poor showing of the tourists was that they were led to believe that their fast bowlers would be sure and deadly on the Australian wickets, but they found that the wickets were slower than they expected and were really unsuited to their speed merchants."

Mr. J. Scheut, the assistant manager, suggested that "C. V. Grimmett, the Australian Test bowler, should be invited to the West Indies to coach their young spin bowlers."

Mr. Scheut attributed the West Indies' failure in the Tests mainly to the batsmen's lack of experience against spin bowling.

The Emergency Committee of the Football Association have reported to the council that they have severely censured W. H. Walker, the famous Aston Villa player, and have fined him £10, following certain articles contributed by him to the Press.

Explanations were received from Walker that the articles, which the committee considered, brought the game into disrepute, were written at his request by another person.

Sunderland have offered Newcastle United £2,500 for J. Devine, the inside right, whom they were anxious to play in the fifth round Cup-tie with Sheffield United.

Newcastle United fixed their price at £3,000, and have now increased it to £3,500. He cost them £6,000 when signed from Burnley in January of last year. Sunderland say they will not increase their bid.

Newcastle United actually came to terms with Sheffield Wednesday for the transfer of Devine, but he refused to join the Hillsborough club.

Three thousand spectators at a football match in Bangalore between the Hindus and the Muslims were responsible for a riot which resulted in serious injuries to numerous peaceful onlookers. It was commenced near the end of the game when a section of Muslim supporters attacked a Muslim player. Mounted infantry were stationed and many injuries resulted. The Hindus won by three goals to nil after three drawn games had been played.

PUBLIC SCHOOL RESULTS.

Tonbridge-Beat Mill Hill
at Hockey.

SEDBERGH'S RUGBY DRAW.

The following is the latest sporting news from England concerning the fortunes of the various Public Schools during the Lent term:—

RUGBY.
Bedford—Artists Rifles 18-2.
Eastbourne College—Milders. Hoep. "A" 30-10.
Leeds G.S.—Hymers' College 29-0.
Perse—West Norfolk 0-3.
Reading—Old Redingians "A" 6-18.
Merton College (Ox.)—St. Paul's 12-5.
Stamford—Spalding 22-0.
Liverpool College—Rydal 0-16.
St. Bee's—Sedburgh 5-5.
Winchester Coll.—Army Crusaders 1-3.
Westminster—Old Reptonians 2-4.
Bradfield Coll.—Oxford Univ. Centaurs 2-7.
Eton Coll.—Norsemen 1-5.
Lancing Coll.—Lancing O.B.'s 4-3.
Highgate—Lancing O.B.'s 4-2.
Ardingly—Old Ardilians "A" 2-3.
Brentwood—Old Chelmsians 1-2.
Charterhouse—Corinthians 0-7.
Ardingly—Southern Amat. League 4-6.
Winchester Coll.—Oxford U. Centaurs 1-5.

HOCKEY.
Mill Hill—Tonbridge 2-3.
Rugby—Rugby Town 5-2.
Dover Coll.—Optimists 3-5.
Cranleigh—Old Cranleighians 1-6.
Wrexham Coll.—Shifnal 3-3.
St. Peter's York—York 4-9.
Dean Close—Bristol 2-7.
Mill Hill—Felsted 2-5.
Cranleigh—Corpus Christi Ox. 5-3.

RACKETS.
Winchester College (F. A. Parker and N. Knowles) beat C. J. N. Chubb and Capt. C. J. Wilson by four games to two (15-7, 2-15, 15-8, 15-8, 2-15, 18-15).

K. O. Hunter and N. McCaskie beat Malvern College (P. L. B. Nunnally and S. L. Lister) by four games to one (13-3, 15-8, 7-15, 15-10, 17-14).

FENCING.
Stowe defeated Westminster in a three-round match at Stowe, with seventeen victories against ten.

Walter Hagen has decided not to play in the British Open Golf Championship this year. He thus follows the example of other well-known Americans, Leo Diegel and Horton Smith, whose decision was announced recently.

Those who do intend to compete include Gene Sarazen, Tommy Armour, and Macdonald Smith. Australia has decided to send a representative in the person of the winner of the Australian professional championship.

Oxford's hockey victory over Cambridge this year was in no small way due to the artistry and the facile stickwork of the Nawab of Pataudi on the left wing. Besides being a first class hockey player, he is a cricket "blue" with a wide reputation.

It is announced that the Silver Bullet, the Racing car with which Mr. Kaye Don last year made an unsuccessful attempt upon the land speed record, is being reconditioned at Wolverhampton with a view to attacking the record set up last week at Daytona by Captain Malcolm Campbell.

This new attempt is likely to be made early in 1932 by Mr. Kaye Don, either at Daytona or New Zealand.

The Maharaja of Kashmir's team from India scored a decisive victory at the Cote d'Azur Polo Club, Cannes, in the semi-final of the Prix d'Estérel tournament, beating Major H. E. Lyons's Flamings, to whom they conceded a goal and a half on handicap, by 7 goals to 2½.

S. Donoghue, the jockey, who has been on holiday recovering from a broken leg, has returned to England from America. He said he had had a "great time." In Jamaica he rode in three races and had one winner.

"I hope to ride in the Lincolnshire," he added, "but do not know what my mount will be. I feel as fit as ever."

Not only Steeplechasing, listeners throughout the world but occupants of the stands on the racecourse will hear a running description of the Grand National this year.

The Broadcasting Corporation have arranged for the installation of twelve loud-speakers distributed about the stands.

Big Bill Tilden's debut into the ranks of the professional lawn tennis players was a tremendous success. His play against Kozeluh was greeted with loud applause from the enthusiastic crowd present.

There were 14,000 people at the Madison Square Garden, and the gate receipts amounted to £7,400 as compared with £4,800 when Suzanne Lenglen made her debut as a professional.

Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, the tennis champion, has strenuously denied that she has accepted a Hollywood offer of £40,000 to appear before the camera and microphone and depict her lawn tennis style.

She declares her intention of retaining amateur status for the purpose of competing in the United States national tournament.

England's chances in the Davis Cup have been weakened by the announcement that J. C. Gregory will not be able to spare the time to compete.

Thus his ideal partnership with L. G. Collins, which is one of the best in the world, will be broken up.

TWO BIG EVENTS ON BOAT RACE DAY.

Head of River Contest
to Follow Classic.

HUNDRED CREWS.

London, March 7.
The "Head of the River" race will be rowed this year on March 21, from Mortlake, to Putney. It was announced to-day. The date coincides with that fixed for the annual Oxford and Cambridge classic, which generally starts before noon, depending upon the turn of the tide. The "Head of the River" race will be rowed at 5 p.m. It will be the first time that any important boat race has been held in London on the same day as the "Varsity" race.

Over a hundred crews are expected to compete, including a German eight and several provincial crews.—United Press.

JAPAN VICTORIOUS AT QUEEN'S CLUB.

Win All Covered Courts
Championships.

SEASON'S SENSATION.

London, March 7.
The Queen's Club covered courts tennis championships came to an end to-day with Japan victorious. The Japanese players won the men's singles and the doubles, and a Japanese was a member of the triumphant mixed doubles team.

In the final round of the men's singles, to-day, Aoki of Japan defeated his fellow countryman, Miki. Aoki, with Miss Yorke, also won the mixed doubles championships.

To win the men's single title, Aoki triumphed over Miki in straight sets, the scores being 6-3, 7-5, 6-4. In the final round of the mixed doubles, Aoki and Miss Yorke defeated F. J. Perry and Mrs. Mitchell 2-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Yesterday Aoki and Miki won the doubles championship when they defeated P. D. B. Spence and E. Higgs.

The playing of the Japanese has been the sensation of the Queen's Club Championships this year, but by no means were their victories easily won. In virtually every set they encountered stiff and determined opposition and

CARNERA'S DOUBTFUL VICTORY.

Return Fight with
Jim Maloney.

PRIMO HISSED.

Miami, Fla., March 5.
Primo Carnera, the huge Italian, will out-weigh Jimmy Maloney by 72½ pounds in their scheduled 10-round bout here to-night.

In weighing in to-day Carnera scaled 273 and Maloney, 199½. The official physician pronounced the Italian ready to fight. Carnera, however, will enter the ring with his chest taped as a result of one of his ribs being cracked during training two weeks ago. It is thought that the injury won't bother him.—Associated Press.

Miami, Fla., March 5.
Primo Carnera, the Irish-American heavyweight, won a decision over Jim Maloney, the Irish-American from South Boston, in their ten-round bout here to-night.

The verdict rendered by the referee, McLeannans, was lustily booed by more than 20,000 fight fans who paid to witness what Maloney could do against the Italian who is often dubbed in fight circles as the "human mountain." Fans believed the Bostonian was robbed of the decision, thinking that he had an edge over the Italian.

Both fighters started the battle with caution, each studying the tactics of the other. Soon the fight got hot, with Maloney successfully evading the mauling tricks of Carnera.

The Bostonian proved that Carnera's murderous wallops were of no use to a fighter of the first rank. The Italian, however, aimed at ending the fight too soon, with his fists always clutched throughout. He failed to make use of his haymakers, however. Maloney always fast on his feet was successful in blocking them.

United Press tabulation showed that Maloney won four of the ten rounds, three were credited to the Italian and three were about even.

After the fight Maloney was carried to his dressing room on the shoulders of his admirers.

The Italian who met the disfavor of the crowd received a hostile conclusion to the evening's struggle.—United Press.

throughout the tournament the competition was keen.—United Press.

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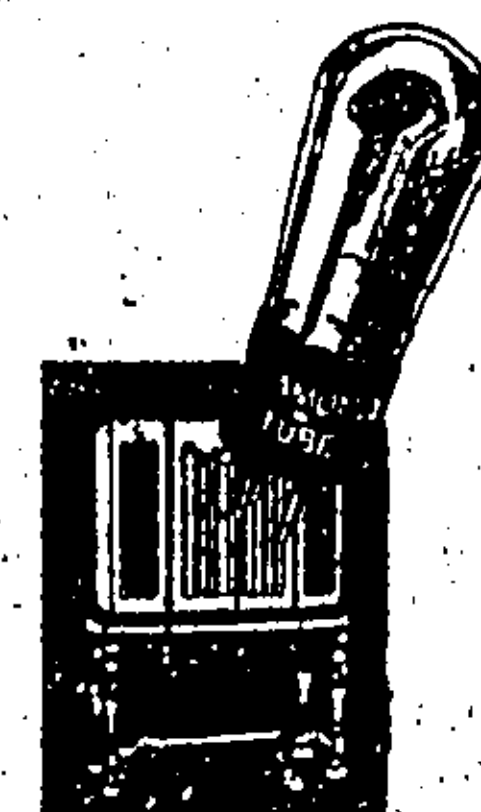
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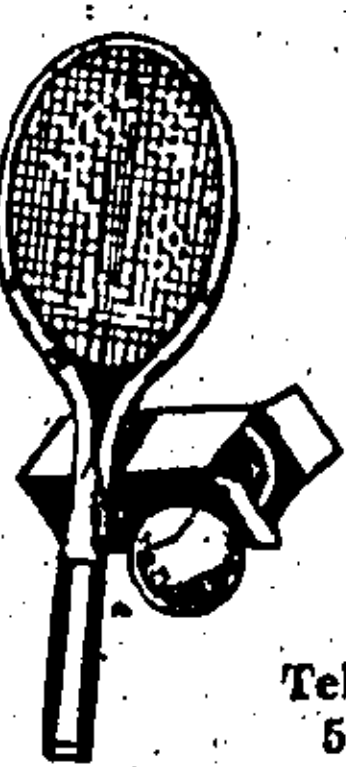
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GOLF AS I SEE IT.

Keen Interest Makes For Good Shots.

BORED "ONE-COURSE" GOLFER.

A caddy of the old school who has a knack of inspiring confidence has a simple explanation for every bad shot that his side may make.

"You want a bit more determination, sir, that's all. You hit the ball and I'll watch it. Determination, that's all you want."

There is a certain simple truth about this. When a golfer has finished analysing his stance, his grip, the lie of the ball, the difficulties of the shot, and the possible faults of his swing, he is likely to be as far from a true explanation of failure as ever—he is, nine times out of ten, worse off because he has confused the issue. He may even begin to experiment with details, which is a fatal mistake when playing a round of golf.

If he will pay heed to the advice of my friend the caddy he will find that there is wisdom in it.

Very many golfers are bored with their shots—though they do not know it.

Bad Mental Attitude.

Golf may be their passion, it may be driving them to distraction or raising them to the heights of joy, but for all that they are bored. They know their way too well round their own course. The course—which is the game of golf—has lost its interest. They think too much of their faults and not enough of golf.

This mental attitude is one into which any golfer may slip.

You can easily forget the game of golf in analysis of your own efforts to play it. Many golfers approach a shot not planning what they intend to do with the ball, but wondering whether they can improve on the last shot they essayed. Their game lacks determination. Every shot is a kind of curious experiment rather than the result of a firm resolve to hit the ball to a given spot.

That is why playing over a new course is a tonic.

With every shot new and fascinating, the player's thoughts turn not to his swing but to the twists and tricks of the course. He plays an iron shot, for example, with the determination to avoid a patch of rough cunningly placed in his path, whereas at home he would know a similar patch of rough as well that his ideas would be concentrated, possibly, on the straightness of his left arm at the top of the swing.

Simply a Slogger.

Many a golfer who has the ability to be several strokes better than he is fails to lower his handicap because he is simply a slogger.



PROBABLE ELEVEN'S FOR TO-DAY.

CRICKET.

League I.—Friendly.

K.C.C. v. C.C.C.—At K.C.C. C.C.C.:—H. P. Lim (Captain), E. Zimmer, U. M. Omar, R. Lee, W. K. Way, L. Youngs, V. T. Davies, A. B. Hanson, B. Scurbatts, R. C. Reed and N. B. Kitchell. K.C.C.:—J. C. Lyle, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, W. C. Hang, F. E. Lawrence, N. A. E. Mackay, F. E. Skinner, R. G. V. Mead, H. Hampton, D. W. Gregory and F. Caveney.

H.K.C.C. v. ARGYLLS.—On H.K.C.C. Ground at 2 p.m.

H.K.C.C.:—H. Owen Hughes, A. C. Beck, A. Reid, E. R. Duckitt, G. R. More, L. B. Smith, J. T. Hegarty, G. E. R. Divett, E. C. Etherington, R. R. Davies and J. D. A. Hutchison.

Match Postponed.

The 2nd XI. match v. R.E. has been postponed.

League II.

C.S.C.C. H. v. CLUB DE RECREIO. C.S.C.C. H.:—H. E. Strange (Captain), A. E. Wood, J. M. Wilson, J. P. McGowan, F. E. Mathews, D. M. Macdonald, J. E. Hawkins, D. McLellan, D. R. Kelly, E. H. Himsworth, and S. Randle.

FOOTBALL.

Division I.

K.F.C. v. ARGYLLS.—At 4.30 p.m. K.F.C.:—Penny Martin, Downman, Hedley, McKelvie, Blais, Pile, Whitefield, Gillott, Grimwood, and Janson. Reserves: Angus and Hast.

Division II.

K.F.C. II. v. BORDERERS.—At 3.30 p.m. K.F.C. II.:—Angus, Guest, Williams, Everest, Gilehrst, Cameron, Eastman, Whiting, Spary, Cotton, and Bickford. Reserve: Smith.

HOCKEY.

Caer Clark Cup.

ST. ANDREW'S v. H.K.L.H.C.—At 3.30 p.m. St. Andrew's:—A. Hynes, I. Rogers, P. Woolley, J. Gittins, M. White, L. Woolley, P. Wong, P. Gittins, M. Woolley, N. Field, and E. Landolt. H.K.L.H.C.:—J. Smalley, E. Gray, B. V. Franklin, E. O'Flanagan, A. Owen-Hughes, M. L. Wallace, E. R. Bell, N. McNally, M. Donohue, C. Ferguson, and J. G. H. Smith. Y.M.C.A. II. v. R.A.M.C.—At King's Park at 3 p.m. Y.M.C.A. II.:—F. Allen, R. Dormer, L. Tippet, D. F. Kilby, J. Purvis, R. A. Macdonald, W. H. Smith, W. J. Brown, Dr. Ashton, F. Parker and H. Muller. Reserve: L. Macay.

GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR TO-MORROW.

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notify the following starting times for Fandling to-morrow:

9.12 a.m. C. W. Jeffries, C. B. Riggs, 9.16

9.20 J. D. Danby, J. Thayer, 9.24

9.28 E. de Voeux, N. K. Littlejohn, 9.32

9.36 C. H. M. Andrew, R. C. Law, 9.40

9.44 W. J. Waddington, W. G. Lorimer, 9.48

9.52 C. H. Burton, M. St. J. Walsh, 9.56

10.00 J. Harrop, T. J. Price, 10.04

10.08 C. Bulmer-Johnson, A. H. Ferguson, 10.12

10.16 E. P. Fletcher, H. T. Buxton, 10.20

10.24 W. N. A. Smalley, H. Hampton, 10.28

10.32 L. A. R. Duncan, G. Thompson, 10.36

10.40 C. J. Morgan, G. W. Reeve, 10.44

10.48 A. Sommerfeld, B. D. Evans, 10.52

10.56 C. B. Brown, L. Yates, 11.00

11.04 N. S. Ellis, T. Linder, 11.08

11.12 A. N. Macfarlane, Q. A. A. Macfarlane, 11.16

11.20 G. Castle, W. Paterson, 11.24

11.28 A. W. Hay, E. C. C. Black, 11.32

11.36 C. Mycock, J. S. Dykes, 11.40

11.44 J. P. Sherry, W. A. Cornell, 11.48

11.52 A. D. Humphreys, R. Young, 12.00

12.04 S. W. Paterson, J. W. Paterson, 12.08

12.12 J. Forbes, P. S. Grant, 12.16

12.20 F. A. Redmond, J. Stuart, 12.24

12.28 A. J. R. Wolfe, H. P. Bailey, 12.32

12.36 C. B. Maturin, J. B. Lanyon, 12.40

12.44 A. C. I. Bowker, J. R. Hinton, 12.48

12.52 E. J. Dowley, J. J. French, 12.56

12.58 M. Nicholson, J. A. R. Selby, 12.59

12.59 R. K. Hepburn, C. W. Sewell, 12.59

12.59 D. Forbes, A. Ritchie, 12.59

12.59 R. A. Atwell, G. T. May, 12.59

12.59 E. Grimble, P. T. T. 12.59

12.59 G. F. Hole, M. Barton, 12.59

12.59 P. F. le Fevre, K. K. Rounds, 12.59

12.59 H. Williams, S. G. Fotherham, 12.59

12.59 D. J. Gilmore, D. S. Robb, 12.59

12.59 G. E. Mitchell, E. G. Price, 12.59

12.59 A. O. Brown, E. L. Hoyle, 12.59

12.59 A. Leach, H. U. Ireland, 12.59

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

RACING—To-day—First Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

March 22—Fandling Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.

ATHLETICS—To-day and Monday—Hong Kong v. Canton Universities, Caroline Hill, 1.30 p.m.

CRICKET—To-day—Division I.—Indian R.C. v. Civil Service C.C. (F.); Division II.—University C.C. (F.); Division III.—Kowloon C.C. v. Police R.C. (L.); Royal Engineers v. Hong Kong C.C. (L.); Civil Service C.C. v. Indian R.C. (F.); Craigengower C.C. v. R.A.S.C. (F.).

FOOTBALL—To-day—First Division—Police R.C. v. Chinese Athletic; Royal Artillery v. Kowloon F.C.; H.K.F.C. v. Navy; Borderers v. Club de Recreo; South China A.A. v. Argylls.

To-morrow—South China A.A. v. Shanghai Police, Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.

March 21—Shield Matches.

April 18—Sunday Herald Charity Cup Final—Scotland v. China.

HOCKEY—To-day—Caer Clark Cup—St. Andrew's Club v. Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club; Club de Recreo v. Diocesan Girls' School.

Friday—Caer Clark Cup—Kowloon Ladies' Hockey Club v. Diocesan Girls' School.

GOLF—To-morrow—Ladies' Championship Final, Old Course, Fandling.

Monday—Garrison Officers' Annual Meeting, Fandling.

Tuesday—Ladies' Section Prize Distribution, Fandling; Final of Ross Cup (Ladies); Garrison Officers' Annual Meeting, Fandling.

LAWN TENNIS—Monday—H.K.C.C. Tournament.

FENCING—Monday—Fencing Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 5.15 p.m.

March 21—Tournament, Yacht Club, 3.30 p.m.

RIFLE & PISTOL SHOOTING—Monday—Hong Kong Police v. Shanghai Police, Taikoo Range.

CHESS—Tuesday—Entries close for Colony's Championship.

LAWN BOWLS—Friday—Kowloon Bowling Green Club—Annual Meeting, 6.45 p.m.

March 23—Lawn Bowls Association Annual Meeting.

HOME.

FOOTBALL—To-day—English Cup—Semi-Finals; Scottish Cup—Semi-Finals; Army Cup—Semi-Finals.

March 18—Army v. The Rest, Woolwich.

March 21—England v. Scotland, (Amateurs), Chelsea.

March 28—Scotland v. England, Glasgow.

April 25—English Cup Final, Ireland v. Wales, Belfast.

March 18—Rugby League—England v. Wales, Huddersfield.

March 21—Scotland v. England, Murrayfield, Edinburgh.

April 6—France v. England, Paris.

HOCKEY—To-day—England v. Wales.

March 28—Scotland v. England, Perth.

GOLF—March 24 and 25—Oxford v. Cambridge, Sandwich.

ROWING—March 21—Oxford v. Cambridge.

RACING—March 25—Lincolnshire Handicap.

March 20—Liverpool Spring Cup.

March 27—Grand National Steeplechase.

BOXING—March 25—A.B.A. Championships, Albert Hall.

PHIL SCOTT IN THE RING AGAIN.

British Title to Be Defended.

Phil Scott states that he will fight

Vittorio Campese, the Argentine

giant, in Buenos Aires.

Scott adds that he will fight

Carnera any time and also Young

Stribling. He is ready to defend

his British title, but he says there

is not likely to be anyone fit to

challenge him for at least five

years.

11.58 W. C. Shields, O. Eager.

12 Noon W. D. Harris, H. R. Campbell.

12.04 p.m. A. B. Purves, J. G. Campbell.

12.08 W. H. Vallance, L. R. Andrews.

12.12 H. Wild, H. Spicer.

12.16 H. Lowe, R. H. Ball.

12.20 D. J. Keogh, J. Jones.

12.24 T. Ramsey, G. H. Wilson.

12.28 O. E. C. Martin, R. G. Edwards-Jones.

12.32 W. W. Mackenzie, G. G. Johnson.

12.36 Ladies' Championship Final.

TO-DAY'S ENGLISH CUP SEMI-FINALS.

Will the Midlands Be Represented?

EVERTON'S RECORD.

(By "Cross Bar.")

A few words on the remaining four teams in the English Cup would not be out of place on this, the day of the semi-finals. To say I was surprised at the downfall of Chelsea in the sixth round would be to put it mildly. Birmingham I will admit are a formidable side, but when taking into consideration, the international talent at the disposal of the London side, one could not but foresee a victory for Chelsea. However, that is all of the past. Now for the future. To-day's games will be as follows.

Birmingham v. Sunderland (at Leeds).

Everton v. West Bromwich Albion (at Manchester).

Taking the teams in order I intend giving a very brief summary of their battles in their paths to the semi-finals.

Birmingham. The cup has to date eluded the Birmingham Club who play their first semi-final game to-day. It is very curious that a club of over fifty years existence should not have reached this stage of the competition during its many seasons of exceptional promise. Is it to be Birmingham's Cup this year? Below is appended their progress this season.

v. Liverpool	2-0
v. Port Vale	2-0
v. Watford	3-0
v. Chelsea	2-2
replay	3-0

Total 12 goals to 2

Sunderland. Another team yet to have its name inscribed on the trophy. Sunderland reached the final in 1913 but were beaten by Aston Villa at the Crystal Palace by a goal to nil. This season's progress has been as follows.

v. Southampton	2-0
v. Bolton Wanderers	1-1
replay	3-1
v. Sheffield United	2-1
v. Exeter City	1-1
replay	4-2

Total 13 goals to 6

Everton. The Lancashire Club have reached the final stages on four occasions and have won the cup once—at the expense of Newcastle United in the 1905-6 season. This is their ninth semi-final appearance. The following are the results of their progress.

v. Plymouth Argyle	2-0
v. Crystal Palace	6-0
v. Grimsby Town	5-3
v. Southport	9-0

Total 22 goals to 3

West Bromwich Albion. The Birmingham Club have a very formidable cup record, though winning the coveted trophy but twice. They have, in fact, reached the final in three successive years, and in all on five occasions. This years results were as follows.

v. Charlton Athletic	2-2
replay	1-1
replay	3-1
v. Tottenham Hotspur	1-0
v. Portsmouth	1-0
v. Wolverhampton Wanderers	1-1
replay	2-1

Total 11 goals to 6

FOR IRELAND?

RACE MAY BE HELD AT ULSTER.

Viscount Craigavon, speaking at Comber, Co. Down, said he hoped that they would be able to keep the R.A.C. Tourist Trophy race in Ulster as a permanent, and he was hoping to get the Schneider Trophy race held there, too.

FIFTH TEST MATCH INCIDENT.

Ludicrous Spectacle at Durban.

NO BAILS.

London, Feb. 21.

The most ludicrous spectacle in the history of Test cricket was witnessed this morning, when the Englishmen stood in the field with the South African batsmen at the wickets all ready to start but no umpires and the stumps ballless.

It appears that the only set of balls for larger wickets were broken in a club match recently and no more were available. The only alternative was to ask the umpires to retire to a workshop and make a set of the requisite size.

The mistake was discovered before the toss, but this did not fail to have its effect on Chapman, who on winning the toss had hoped to secure early wickets on a drying pitch. Chapman after waiting in the pavilion with his men led his team into the field—as a protest against the laxity of arrangements and consequent delay.

The South African batsmen followed him.

The game started a quarter of an hour late, Chapman having registered a strong protest with Mr. Webber, Chairman of the South African Board, who admitted the justification and sincerely apologized to the English Captain. He promised to call a special meeting of the Board to consider the matter to-morrow.

HONG KONG'S WIN AT GOLF.

Overwhelming Win at Billiards.

In the golf match played at the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, Fandling, yesterday, members of the Hong Kong Police Force defeated the visiting Shanghai force by one point.

The full results were as follow:

Singles.		Shanghai.	
Hong Kong.			
Hon. Mr. Wolfe	1	Coglan	0
King	1	Read	0
Wodehouse	1	Scott	0
Shepherd	1	Adams	0
Hoeker	0	Dickson	1
Charman	0	Gash	1
	3½		2½

Foursomes.

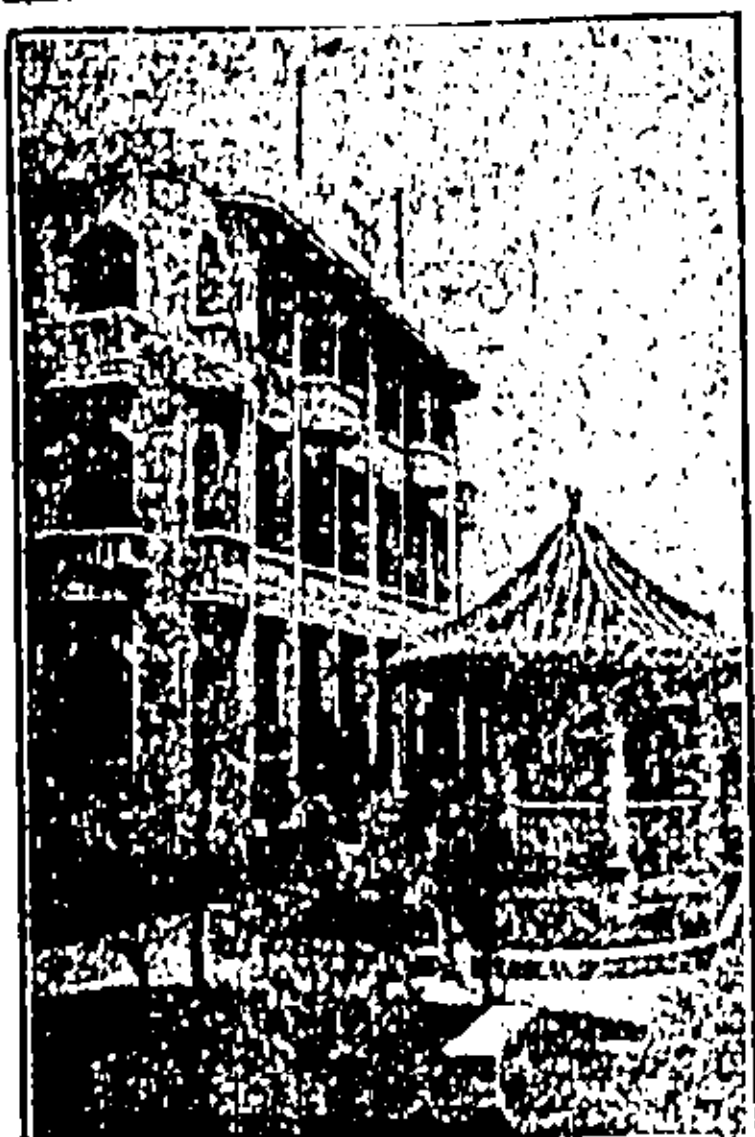
Wolfe and Shepherd	0	Adams and Coglan	0
Booker and Gash	0	Dickson and King	1
Wodehouse and King	½	Scott and Read	½
	1½		1½
Total	5	Total	4

BILLIARDS.

In the Billiards match the local force had matters much their own way. The results were as follow:

Hong Kong.		Shanghai.	
Gowland	169	Bradley	250
Fender	250	Pitts	92
Bradell	250	Wilkinson	178
Ellis	250	J. Scott	122
Gooding	250	A. Scott	101

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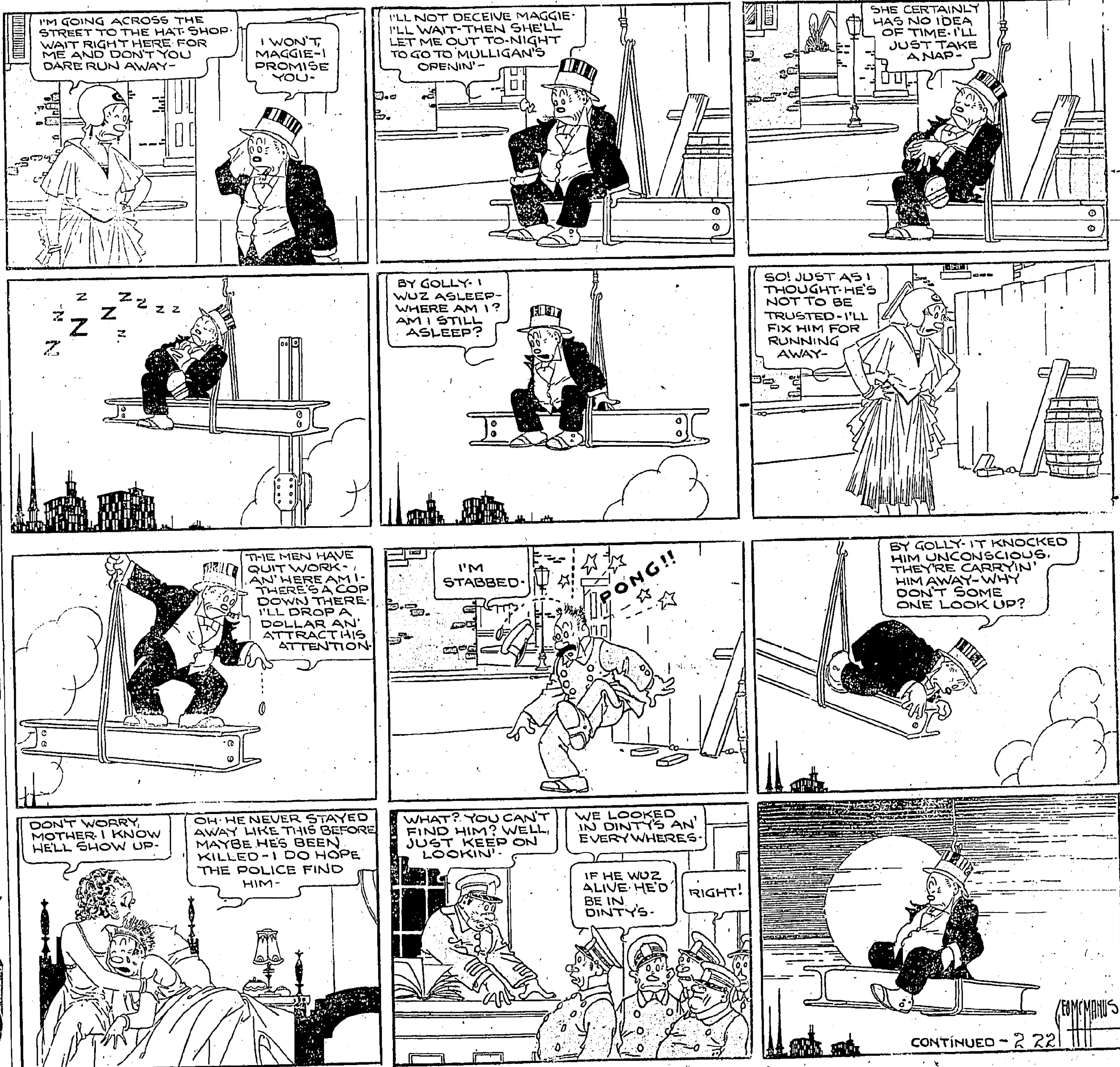
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Shipping.—Douglases continue neglected. Hong Kong Steamboats easier with sellers at \$25. Union Waterboats were realized \$7, but closed much easier with offers at this figure.

Mining.—Raubs were steady with enquiries at \$38 ex dividend. Though no business was reported, Goldfields had enquiries at \$3. Sales at this figure.

Cotton Mills.—Ewo Cottons were a strong, business having been quoted at $\text{F}15.15/25$ Cum dividend $\text{F}14.75$ ex dividend.

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had at \$16.80. Hong Kong Amusements are sellers at \$20 for the Old shares. China Entertainments have improved to a buying rate of \$16.75. Lane Crawfords are wanted at \$4 with sellers asking 20 more. Watsons have buyers at \$3.25 with business done at \$18.30.

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Mercantile Bk., A&B.	L	...	...	...	25		making 20's for 1930.....)	Pending
" " C.	L	...	...	...	18	Dec.	(Int. 20% a/c 1930 less 1/Tax	Sep. —

Bank of Asia	116 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	\$5 for 1930.	Feb. 3
Insurance.							
Canton Ins.	1080	...	...	...	Dec.	{Final \$27 for 1928 Interim \$18 1/2 for 1929 Interim \$18 1/2 for 1930 Interim \$14 1/2 for 1931	May 1
Union Ins.	830	...	625	...	Dec.	{Final \$18 1/2 for 1928 Interim \$14 1/2 for 1929 Interim \$14 1/2 for 1930 Interim \$14 1/2 for 1931	May 8
China Underwriters	3.05	82	...	...	Dec.	None	May 8
China Fire Ins.	...	...	...	535	Dec.	{Final \$2 bonus \$2 Interim \$3 1/2 for 1929 Interim \$3 1/2 for 1930 Interim \$3 1/2 for 1931	May 8
H. K. Fire Ins.	1320	...	...	...	Dec.	{Final \$2 bonus \$2 Interim \$3 1/2 for 1929 Interim \$3 1/2 for 1930 Interim \$3 1/2 for 1931	May 8
Shipping.							
Douglas	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924.	...
H. K. Steamboats	25	...	...	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929 None for 1930.	Mar.
Indo-China (Pref.)	\$	...	40	...	Dec.	{12 1/2 cts. 2 1/2 cts. on preferred for 1924 and 1925	June 1
(Def.)	\$	...	30	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931.	...
Shell Transports	...	...	69 1/2	...	Dec.	{Interim \$2.00 for 1929 Interim \$2.00 for 1930 Interim \$2.00 for 1931	Jan. 6
Union Waterboats	\$	...	30 1/2	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1930	Pending
Mining.							
Benguet	\$	...	10 1/2	...	Dec.	{Final 40 centavos making Pso 1 for 1930	Dec. 30
Kailan Mining Ad.	9 1/2	...	85 1/2	...	June	{Fin. 4% free 1/2 Tax/Upon 85 making 9% for year 30-32	Dec. 30
Langkat	...	...	8 1/2	...	Oct.	T. 0.50 for year 31-10-29	May 8
Phil. Exploration	2.10	...	...	...	Dec.	None	...
Loans	...	...	...	...	Dec.	{Final T. 0.35 making T. 0.60 for 1930	...
Rambo	\$	...	40 1/2	...	Mar.	{Final T. 0.35 making T. 0.60 for 1930 Third Int. 1/2 40 year T. 0.31 payable	Feb. 6
Penzance Gold Fields	3.60	...	...	...	...	...	Mar. 16
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
J. K. & K. Wharves	...	172	...	...	Dec.	\$9 for 1930	Pending
J. K. & W. Docks	30 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931.	...
South China	...	...	10	...	...	...	...
China Provident (old)	...	5.35	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1934.	...
(new)	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Hongkew	2.74	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim T. 3 1/2 for 1933	Sep. 18
Engineering	6 1/2	5.85	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930	Mar. 4
Hongkew Docks	1.10	...	...	...	Apr.	T. 7 for year 30-4-30	July 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.							
H. K. & S. Hotels	12.00	12.00	...	...	Dec.	50 cents for 1930.	Pending
K. K. Lands	85	...	...	...	Dec.	{Final \$2 making \$4 for 1930 \$1.00 on new base	Feb. 10
Hongkew Lands	...	412	...	...	Dec.	{Final T. 18 making T. 31 for 1930	Pending
Dumplings (Cum Rts.)	...	16.50	...	...	Dec.	80 cents for 1930.	Feb. 24
Rights	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
K. Resides	2.60	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 30 cents a/c 1930	Sep. 4
Chinese Estates	\$	...	87	...	Feb.	\$1 for year 23-3-30	July 21
Cotton Mills.							
Siwo Cotton	14.55	...	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930	Mar. 12
Hongkong Cotton	90	...	...	...	Apr. and Oct.	T. 0.50 for half year 31-10-30	Nov. 29
Shang Sing	...	18.10	...	...	June	T. 0.50 for year 30-3-30	Oct. 11
Public Utilities.							
J. K. Tramways	\$	17 1/2	...	...	Dec.	{Final 40 cents making 80 cents for 1930	Feb. 27
Tram (old)	14 1/2	...	...	...	Apr.	{80 cts. on old for year 40 cts. on new base	June 16
(new)	8 1/2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Car Ferries	...	88 1/2	...	...	...	...	...
China Light	...	25.30	...	...	Sept.	\$1 for 1930.	Feb. 13
K. Electric	...	80 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Final 50 cts. a/c for year 30-4-30	Dec. 15
Gas	...	23	...	...	Dec.	\$2.50 for 1930	Pending
Indo-China	...	19	...	...	June	None	...
Indo-China	...	19	...	...	Dec.	{Final 5% making 10% for 1930	Mar. 11
Indo-China	...	19	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1922.	Feb. 25
Indo-China (Ord.)	...	6/3	...	...	Sept.	{1 1/2% on preference shares Subject to income tax	Feb. 6
(Pref.)	...	10 1/2	...	...	...	...	...
Industrials.							
China Sugars	\$	...	80 cts.	...	...	In liquidation.	...
Shanghai Sugars	...	...	89	...	Dec.	Pa. 3 for 1923	Apr. 11
Ind. Mag. Ord.	...	12 1/2	...	...	Dec.	{T. 0.00 T. 0.00 1/2 7 months 1922	Apr. 30
Ind. Pref.	...	11 1/2	...	...	July	None	...
Ind. Ind.	3.50	...	...	...	Dec.	None	...
Cements (com.)	...	10.70	...	...	Dec.	{20 cents on old 10 cents on new for 1930	Pending
(old)	11 1/2	...	...	...	...	...	...
(new)	...	5.20	...	...	...	...	...
K. Ropes	14	...	...	...	Dec.	75 cents for 1930	Pending
Stores, &c.							
Shanghai Farm	\$	20 1/2	...	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1930	Pending
(new)	...	13.35	...	...	Oct.	75 cents for year 31-10-30	Pending
Shanghai	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	...	4	...	...	Feb.	Last dividend for year 31-10-30	...
Shanghai	...	30	...	...	Feb.	\$2 for year 22-2-30	May 15
Shanghai	...	18 1/2	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	...	2.85	...	...	Feb.	25 cents for year 22-2-30	June 10
Miscellaneous.							
K. Amusement (old)	...	21	...	...	Mar.	\$2.50 for year 31-3-30	Sep. 27
(new)	...	18 1/2	...	...	...	...	...
Entertainment	16.80	...	...	...	...	...	...
K. Construction	3.40	...	...	...	Dec.	None	...
Ind. G. Bonds	367 1/2	...	...	...	...	...	...
K. Govt. Loans	...	7 1/2	...	...	...	Interest half yearly	...

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"Scrambling on to the rough stone doorstep, Gregory stretched his neck eagerly."

cession because there were often riots on these occasions; but he was fourteen, and strong, and he could fight with the best! Swiftly he turned away from the fields leading to the monastery, and ran to the little town on the borders of Wales where his father held the position of tax-farmer to King Edward the First. He was just in time!

Scrambling up on the rough stone doorstep, which acted as a little bridge to a wooden house and kept his feet out of the dirty water which ran along the road, Gregory stretched his neck eagerly.

THE ATHLETE.

I see him, ready to run the race, Crouching low at the starting-place, Fair as a Grecian god, a figure Alive with the spirit of youth and vigour. Powerfully moulded, pliant and slim, Deep of chest, and supple of limb. His muscles, a thrilling sight to scan, Ripple under the skin of tan, Showing the owner to be one Who loves the wind and the burning sun. All his energy gathers tense In the breathless straining of suspense, 'Till the shot of the starting pistol rings— Then from the crouching pose he springs Quick as a frightened fawn, to fleet As though wings were lent to his rapid feet. Figure of youth! As I gaze on you My sleepy blood is awakened, too, 'Till it quickens into a fiery tide, And I feel I am racing by your side.

THE MARIGOLD.

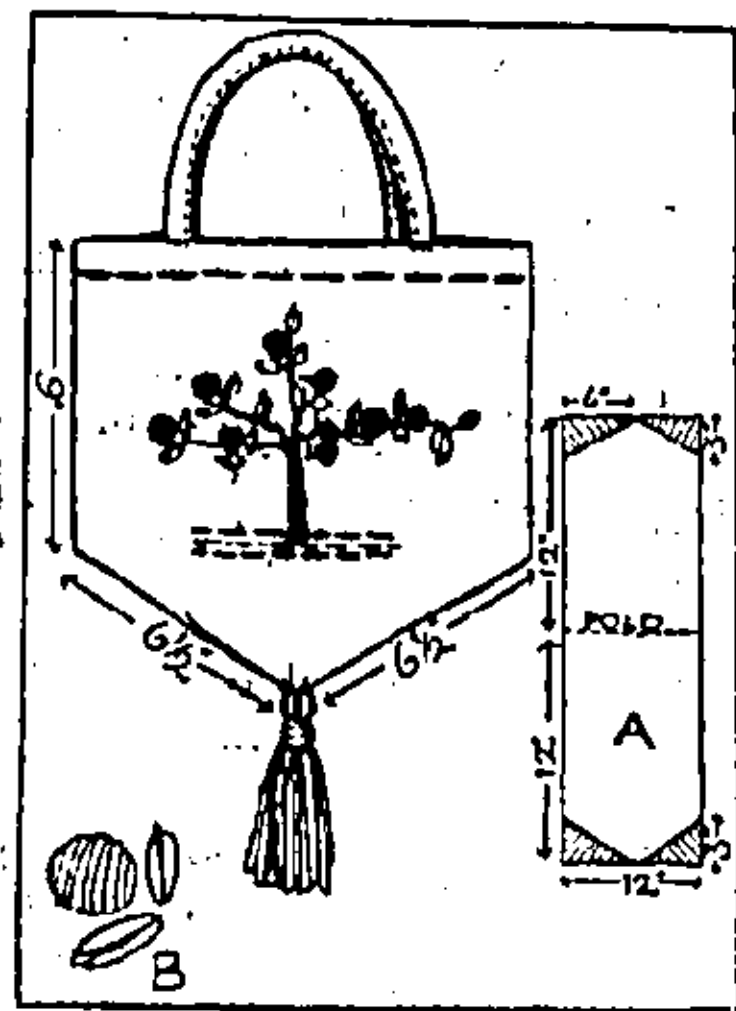
I passed along a sunlit lane, A shadowed pattern on the ground, And in the spreading meadows I heard a happy sound. As if some god was laughing, And his laugh was good to hear; And so I hunted eagerly, To see if he were near; I only found a little thing, I think, if truth were told, You would agree it was his laugh— A sunny marigold.

WENDY'S LITTLE DRESSMAKERS.

A Pretty Shopping Bag.

Tink has made a shopping-bag as a present for Wendy and it is such a success that Wendy thinks perhaps you little needle-women would like to copy it. Of course, if Mother does not need a shopping-bag, it could be used as a work-bag to hold all your odds-and-ends of knitting, sewing materials, and so on.

The bag measures twelve inches across, and twelve inches from the top to the central point at the bottom, when finished; but you must allow about one inch extra on all the measurements.



This is the pretty Shopping Bag about which Dressmaker tells you today. You can easily make one like it if you read her instructions.

given, for the turnings. Ordinary crash will do nicely; if you line the bag, choose coloured casement cloth to tone with one of the shades used on the embroidered front.

Diagram A shows you the shape of the bag before it is made up. Cut a strip of crash, twenty-four inches long and twelve inches wide (plus the extra inch for turnings as I told you). Measure three inches up each side of the strip at top and bottom; find the centre of each end and rule lines from these two central points to the three-inch marks at the sides. Cut away the triangles thus formed—shown by the shaded parts of Diagram A.

Now work the embroidery. Draw a conventional tree on the front of the bag, making it about six inches high and nine inches across at the widest part. Work the stem in brown or black wool satin-stitch, the branches in stem-stitch, and the little fruit circles in orange satin-stitch, adding two jade-green lazy-daisy-stitches at the base of each fruit. Diagram B gives you a "close-up" of the finished fruit and leaves. Work three rows of darning stitches in blue or orange wool beneath the tree, making the rows about seven inches long and placing them a quarter of an inch apart. When you've pressed the embroidery, you're ready to make up the bag.

Sew up the side seams, and join the pointed edges. Then make the lining exactly the same size, slip it inside the bag, and sew the two together along the top. Make two handles of doubled strips of crash, about an inch wide and fourteen inches long, and stitch them firmly to the top of the bag.

HOW THE PRINCESS BOILED THE EGGS.

Many years ago, a number of beautiful Princesses were obliged to find employment as kitchen maids. But this is the story of the Princess Floradora—who never became a cook.

When almost starving, this Princess was engaged in the kitchen of a young Prince, and the cook taught her how to peel potatoes. Floradora peeled bushels of potatoes, and cart-loads of carrots, and at last begged to be allowed to do a little cooking.

"The Prince wants a boiled egg for his tea," said the cook, "And, as I am going out, you shall cook it. He likes it well set, so give it exactly four minutes."

Floradora was delighted! But just before tea-time the Prince said he would like two eggs, and this flustered the Princess terribly. She counted on her fingers, and added up on paper, and came to the conclusion that four and four made eight! So she boiled the eggs for eight minutes, and the footman carried them to the Prince in golden egg cups. But he soon came running back, saying the eggs were so hard that the Prince couldn't eat them, and now he was so hungry that he must have three! Poor Floradora thought that the clock must be playing tricks on her, so she got her own watch, went through "four-times" carefully till she found that three fours were twelve. Then she boiled the eggs for twelve minutes.

At last the Prince came into the kitchen, threw the eggs on the floor, and asked what he paid her wages for.

Floradora stamped her foot, and replied that she knew four three's were twelve, and she had been told to allow four minutes for each egg.

"What a muddle," said the Prince, holding his head. "Come to my study and I will explain matters."

Very soon he found that the beautiful kitchen maid was a Princess, and he married her. But he never allowed her to boil an egg, because she became all flustered at the very mention of it!

LIVING PORTRAITS.

This is a jolly game to play on wet days. First of all one person is selected to act as "wardrobe manageress." Then another is picked to play first portrait. The remaining players then face the wall. The chosen two leave the room and the one who is to be first portrait is dressed up to represent some one of past ages, for instance, "Joan of Arc," "Robin Hood," &c. On entering the room the manageress says "Ready" and the other players turn and face the living portrait. Whoever guesses who their mate is representing has next turn at portrait. The person who is portrait must not laugh or cry but look just like a portrait hanging in the hall would look otherwise the game is spoilt.

Make a big tassel from a penny skein of orange wool, and stitch this to the bottom point.

Wendy's Dressmaker.

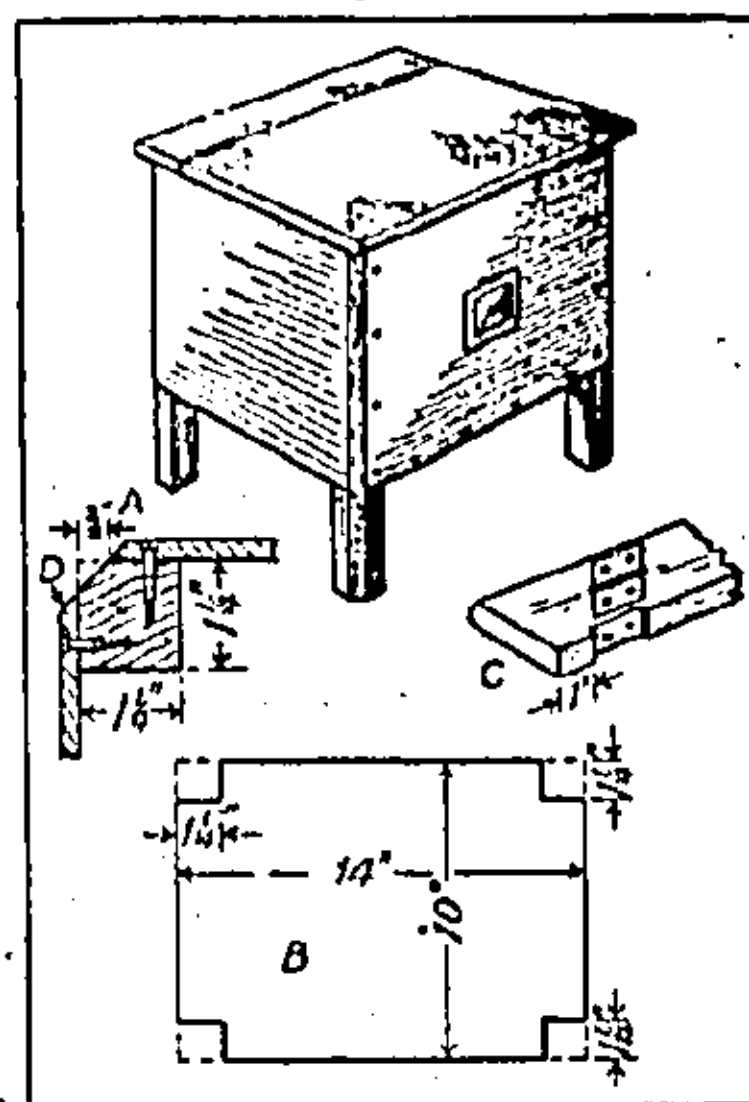
THE BILLY BOYS' WORKSHOP.

Making A Bathroom Seat.

This useful box-seat will be very useful in the bathroom, for besides serving as a seat, it provides storage space for towels, etc.

For the four legs, obtain a six-foot length of one and a quarter inch square wood, and saw off four pieces each exactly sixteen inches long. Plane away one corner of each piece for three-eighths of an inch as shown at A. The front, back and sides consist of pieces of four-ply wood eleven inches deep, the front and back being thirteen inches wide, and the sides nine and a quarter inches wide. These are fixed to the legs with countersunk brass screws, as shown in the first diagram. The tops of these pieces must come flush with the tops of the legs, and the side edges should be planed at an angle as shown at D.

To make the bottom of the box, saw and plane a piece of half-inch wood to the dimensions given in diagram B and cut away the four corners to a depth of one and a quarter inches as



You will find no difficulty in making a useful bathroom seat like this, if you follow Carpenter's instructions.

shown. This part should fit in position so that the under surface is flush with the bottom edges of the front and sides of the seat. It is fixed in place by screws driven in through the front, back, and sides, at a distance of a quarter of an inch from the lower edges of the plywood.

The seat is made in two parts. The back part is fixed, and the front is hinged to the back so that it can be raised when necessary. Use wood five-eighths of an inch thick for both parts, which are fifteen inches long, the back being two and a half inches wide, and the other part eight and a half inches wide. Round off the edges of the seat with a plane, and finish with glasspaper.

To fit the hinges properly, cut shallow recesses to receive them as shown at C, in both parts of the seat. Screw the hinges to the back part first; fix this in position by two screws driven into the tops of the back legs, and then screw the hinges to the front part.

To give a finish to the seat, a small wooden ornament, about three inches long and two inches wide, can be fixed in the middle of the front part with small brads, after which the whole can be given a coating of white or pale blue cellulose paint.

The Hut Carpenter.

A GUESSING GAME.

Only two players must know this game. One of them is blindfolded, and is led to the others, who are all sitting down.

"Now," says the player, "my blindfolded partner is going to tell me who I am pointing at, although he cannot see."

Then he points to one of the others and cries, "Who am I pointing at?" Instantly the blindfolded player answers, "Winnie!" which proves to be correct.

You see, the first letter of the first word spoken by his partner is W and this is the initial of the person pointed at. The leader, of course, varies his sentences. "At whom am I pointing?" would answer for "Alice of Aik." "Tell us whom I'm pointing at" for "Tom or Theresa."

WEARY WAY.

I passed a man upon the weary way: (Blind was he).

Asked what beautiful flower he'd seen that day,

"None," said he.

"Only a clump of yellow marigolds Have I seen."

Only a clump of yellow marigolds—

No beauty? Blind was he.

TINK'S CROSS WORD PUZZLE.

Last week we drew the letters B and E, and 1/2 beneath them, and we asked if you would guess the ordinary English word they represented. The word was, of course, "behalf," which was hidden in the puzzle, full solution being:—

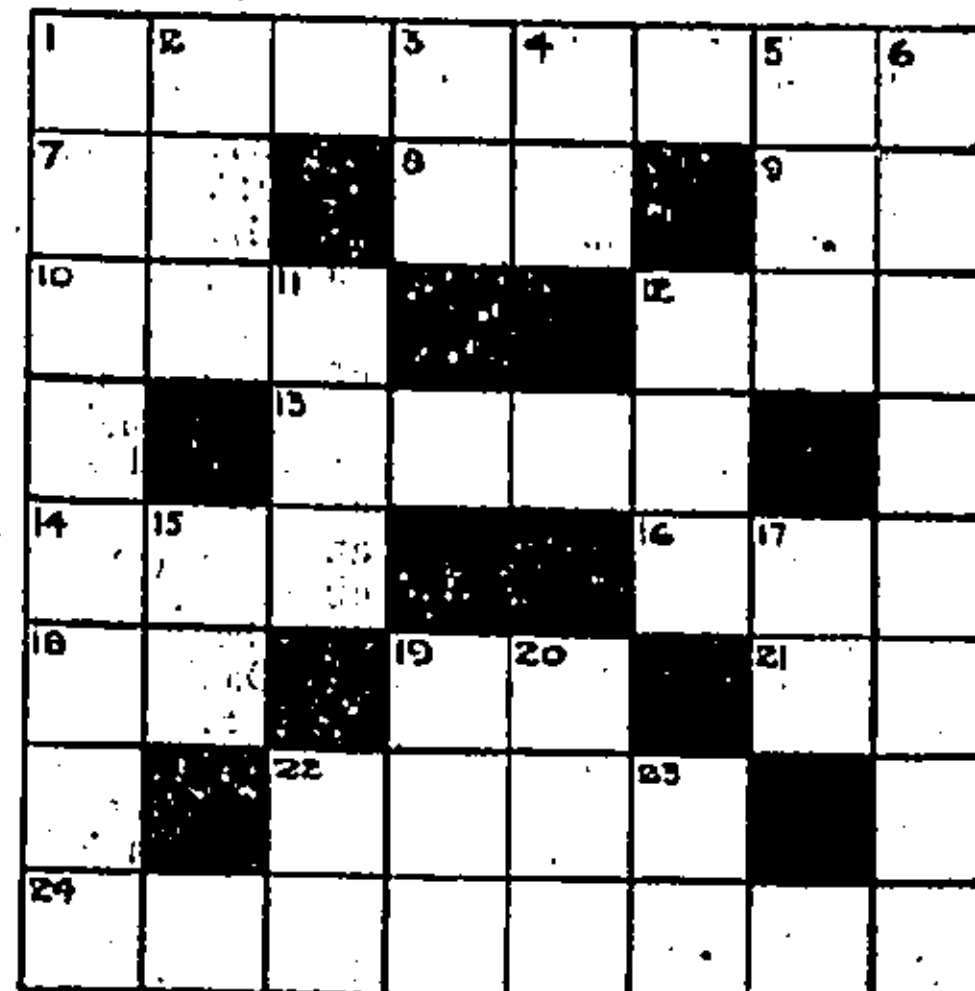
Across.

1. Exactness (Accuracy).
7. To and (Fro).
8. Pronoun (She).
9. Baby's "thank you" (Ta).
10. Thoroughfare (abbreviated) (St.).
12. Preposition (At).
13. Hidden word (Behalf).
14. Because (As).
15. Part of verb "to be" (Am).
16. Measure of length (abbreviated) (Ft.).
18. Notion (Idea).
20. Not so much (Less).
21. Bird (Owl).
22. Turns in a lock (Key).

Down.

1. At the stern of a vessel (Aft).
2. Shell-fish (Crabs).
3. Company (abbreviated) (Co).
4. Same as 14 across (As).
5. Husks of grain (Chaff).
6. Still (Yet).
10. Cover for a lamp (Shade).
11. Makes less wild (Tames).
14. As well (Also).
17. Very small (Tiny).
18. Not well (Ill).
19. Invite (Ask).

This week you see some more letters beside the puzzle. If you say to yourselves: "They are" you will have said the word we have hidden in the puzzle.



What English word does this suggest to you?

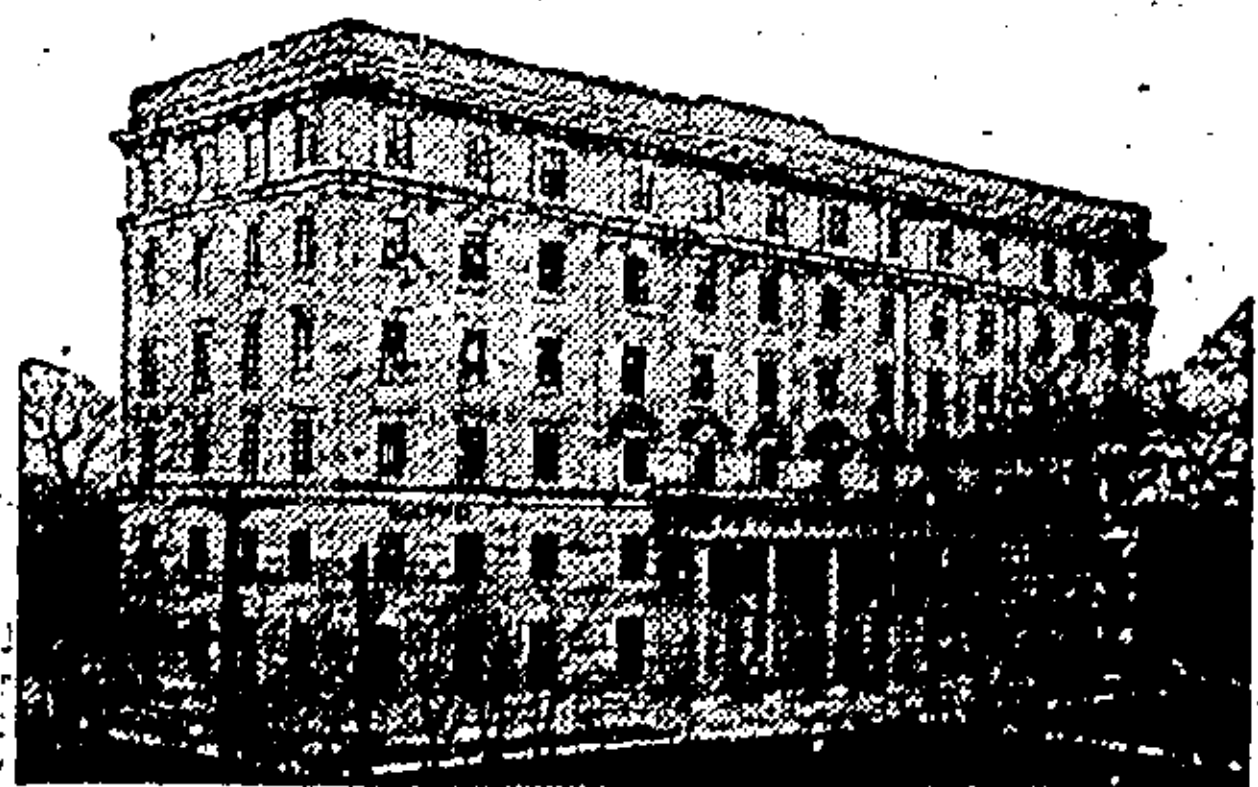
Clues:—

Across.

1. An example.
7. Negative.
8. Upon.
9. Part of verb "to be."
10. Number.
12. Flow back (tide).
13. Hidden word.
14. Moved quickly.
16. Kindled.
18. French for "and."
19. You and I.
21. Thoroughfare (abbreviated).
22. Dislike intensely.
24. A wooden plate.

Down.

1. Payment for use of borrowed money.
2. At once.
3. Preposition.
4. One.
5. Vehicle.
6. To make bitter.
11. Possess.
12. Fish.
15. Preposition.
17. Part of verb "to be."
19. Pale and worn.
20. And so on.
22. Pronoun.
23. Exclamation of enquiry.



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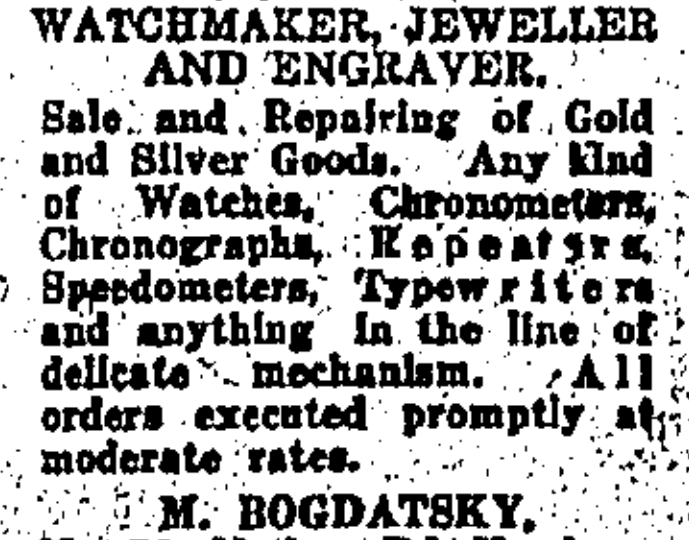


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["Occasional Notes of the Hong Kong Horticultural Society," edited and largely contributed by Dr. G. A. C. Herklots.]

This paper fills a very great want in the Colony. Titcher's Gardening in Hong Kong is practically the only available guide to gardeners here, and much has been discovered since it was written, and moreover it has never pretended to be comprehensive of its whole subject. Its size and price forbids this.

"Occasional Notes," judging from its first issue, will have a full account of several subjects useful to gardeners and giving us knowledge which we could not find in any other book. There are special articles on sweet peas, roses, carnations, dahlias, gerbers, amaryllis, gladioli and pansies, for which we are indebted largely to Mr. R. A. Nicholson, of Victoria, B.C., a well known previous Hong Kong resident, and a very sound article on soils which every gardener should read, if only to realise the importance of lime as the first essential to a satisfactory bed of soil, and to dispel the theory, held by every ordinary fa-wong, that no plant will grow in a bed, but only in a pot full of an expensive imported manurial cocktail.

By far the greatest gift of this issue is the description of various species of Thunbergia that can be grown in Hong Kong—most of us know the Black-eyed Susan (Thunbergia alata), but few know the others by sight or by name, and knowledge of hardly perennials is worth a great deal more to the beauty and a garden than all the prizes in flower shows for forced annuals and faltered marrows. This part of the book is very well illustrated in line, so that subscribers may colour the plates, when they have run the original to earth.

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JULIUS CAESAR.

["Caesar," by Mirko Jelusick; George Allen and Unwin, Ltd., London, 10/6 net.]

The Great Roman historian, Mommsen, sums up Caesar in these words, "This unique man, to describe whom seems so easy and is yet so infinitely difficult." Few figures in history have left such permanent traces on after times. Alexander may have had more towns called after him; Napoleon, more corpses to his credit; but Caesar has his name engraved on more imperial thrones, and has left a deeper impress on the languages of Europe.

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Colossus of the Western World. The book is rather a revivification than a history in the academic sense. There are no authorities quoted or referred to, and at almost every page we find ourselves asking,—"What is the historical evidence for this?" or, "Is there any documentary proof of that?"

One of the most important and dramatically interesting issues in this whole story is the part which Brutus is made to play. To the present reviewer, at all events, the theory taken in this book is quite new.

Brutus is an illegitimate son of Caesar by Servilla with whom Caesar had had a liaison in his early life. And though of course Brutus is ignorant of this fact it adds intense poignancy and piquancy to the plot against Caesar's life, and to the dying words of his father, "Et tu, Brute." The deep poignancy of all this is heightened by the words of advice altered by Caesar in an earlier scene of his life.

A scene is depicted in which Caesar visits Servilla and her little son Marcus when the boy is about ten years old, in which he says to

the boy:—"Mark well, my son the law comes before everything. If anyone infringes it, oppose him with all your might, even if he is your own father. But always without a feeling of revenge."

It was the shadow of the great nemesis. The question of imperialism would fill a book in itself. Probably every reader of the history of Caesar will wonder if he ever realised all the ramifications and implications resulting from the doctrine. Perhaps he did. To our author, at all events, he perceived that he who deprives mankind of its inmost self is its enemy; that it is precisely to the noblest that compulsion, however beneficent it may seem, is the worst of all tortures; that the accomplishment of his task would drive out of its world the very thing by which it lived: freedom.

At the very close of his life Caesar says, "Whatever may befall has been appointed from the beginning. Only madmen seek to take arms against an insuperable destiny."

Did Caesar realise the fate to which Hamlet had assigned him? "Imperial Caesar, dead and turned to clay, might stop a hole to keep the wind away: O! that that earth, which kept the world in awe, should patch a wall to expel the winter's flaw!"

TRIPLE PERSONALITY.

Mrs. Adams Beck, who has died in Kyoto, had the odd gift of being able to write as three personalities. She was best known as the "E. Barrington" who wrote the biographical novels "Glorious Apollo" and "The Chaste Diana," but under her own name she wrote books on the East, where she had travelled a good deal, and as "Louis Moresby" was the author of "Rubies," a romance which appeared in the "Evening Standard" four years ago. Moresby was her maiden name, for she was a granddaughter of Admiral Moresby.

Wrote Novel in Hotel Lounge. Her home was in British Columbia, near the Moresby Island which was named after her grandfather.

But she was often in Britain, and (says a correspondent in a Home paper), last time I saw her she was sitting in the lounge of a Kensington hotel writing away at a novel, but quite ready to lay down her pen and talk in her quietly entertaining way.

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ROUND THE CAMP FIRE

SCOUTS' FAREWELL TO LORD ATHLONE.

Three thousand Boy Scouts rallied in front of the City Hall, Johannesburg, to bid the Earl of Athlone farewell before he left South Africa. Lord Athlone, who, in addition to being Governor-General, was Union Chief Scout, inspected the Parade of Welcome and took the salute from the Scouts and Cubs as they marched past with waving colours and totems.

Subsequently a bi-lingual service, with prayers and addresses given alternately in Afrikaans and English, was held.

Lord Athlone presented three decorations at the conclusion of the Service, including the Order of the Silver Wolf to District Commissioner Kenneth Fletcher, the Secretary of the South Africa Scout Council.

Mr. F. H. Hodgkinson, Acting Divisional Commissioner, on behalf of the Scouts bade farewell to the Governor-General, thanking him for his interest which had enshrined him in the hearts of the people and saying, "We Scouts feel that we are bidding farewell not only to our Chief but also to a friend whom we have learnt to love and whom we can ill afford to lose."

Mr. Hodgkinson hoped that the Governor-General, like the Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell, would be so drawn by the great spaces and call of the veldt that he would not rest satisfied unless he paid them periodical visits.

Lord Athlone, who was received with round upon round of cheering, said it was with the sincerest regret he contemplated his severance as Union Chief Scout and in referring to the aims and aspirations of Scouting in South Africa he said, "It is indeed the first duty of Scouting in South Africa to aim at the inculcation among the youths of this country of a spirit of unity and comradeship, and it should be the first care of every local organ-

L.C.C. SCOUT WORKERS' GATHERING.

Over 200 Boy Scouts and Scout workers employed in the service of the London County Council held their third Annual Exhibition and Camp Fire at the County Hall recently.

Those present represented 26 Boy Scout Groups from all parts of London and the Suburbs. In addition to Scout demonstrations of rope-spinning, the audience were entertained by a sword-swinging act, a sketch by the 18th Lewisham Group of Boy Scouts and Stephen Jack with his ocarina and yells in his "One-Man Concert Party."

Community singing round the Camp Fire with a yarm and Camp Prayers led by Padre Pat Leonard, the chief Anglican Chaplain at the Coming of Age Jamboree, concluded the proceedings.

Among the exhibits were a set of shows by the 10th Mitcham Troop of Boy Scouts which were especially valuable as showing the manifold activities that one Group of Scouts can undertake.

I.H.Q. GOOD WISHES TO "B.P."

The Imperial Headquarters (I.H.Q.) of the Boy Scouts' Association sent a farewell message to Lord Baden-Powell when he sailed with Lady Baden-Powell for his overseas tour of New Zealand, Australia and South Africa. The message was:—

Best of luck while overseas, In the far Antipodes, Is the wish that's sent to you By all the blokes at I.H.Q.

Inauguration to encourage the realisation among Scouts that they hold, without any distinction of race, the proud title of South Africans."

FILM STAR.

O'Brien High in Praise Of Manila Troops.

Scout Commissioner George O'Brien, screen idol visiting Manila, reviewed the Boy Scouts on March 2, afternoon at the Luneta reviewing stand in compliance with general order No. 1, issued to him by a Filipino Eagle Scout, upon his return from the southern cruise. O'Brien cancelled his engagements in order to fulfil the order of the Boy Scouts.

The parade was attended by 15 boy scout troops from the different educational centres including the Ateneo, La Salle, San Beda, Deaf and Dumb, and the Y.M.C.A. boy Scouts.

O'Brien was highly pleased with the efficiency shown by the boy scouts during the parade. The La Salle Sea Scouts attracted the at-

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

"The hardest frost can't touch a really sunny disposition."

Attention of O'Brien for their smart uniform and he asked the Sea Scouts to pose for a "shot" with him.

A big crowd met O'Brien at Pier 3 and gave him a warm reception. A parade of decorated cars starting from the pier took him to Fox Theatre.

The Boy Scout parade and review in honour of the popular screen idol was almost marred by a big crowd who mobbed him for autographs. Even his handkerchief was snatched from his pocket and torn to pieces by his admirers who wanted a remembrance from O'Brien at any cost.

LORD BADEN-POWELL.

In regretting his absence, the Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell, wrote:

"The annual report of the Executive Committee will show that progress during the past year has been satisfactory in all our branches and that future development is being systematically planned and carried

WORLD INCREASE.

Messages from Duke of Connaught and Lord Baden-Powell.

In the absence overseas of the Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell, Lord Hampton, Chief Commissioner of The Boy Scouts' Association, presided over the annual general meeting of the Council of the Boy Scouts' Association held at the Imperial Headquarters.

H.R.H. The Duke of Connaught, President of the Association, sent the following message:—

"I send you all my warmest greetings.

I rejoice to hear that the returns for last year show a steady increase in the numbers and efficiency everywhere. Most especially is this the case in India, where the increase this year has been 25,000 in spite of the unrest and local difficulties. In the Punjab alone there have been more Scouts in camp than ever before, and more Scoutmasters have gone through a course of training, all of which speaks of the right spirit being in existence in the Movement there.

On the whole it appears to me that the Commissioners and the Scoutmasters under them are working with better spirit than ever, both at home and overseas, and therefore I look for further developments in the Movement in the near future.

out under the direction of Sir Alfred Pickford.

The increase of 66,000 on last year's numbers is in itself gratifying, but still more notable is the fact that in spite of the political unrest the numbers in India have gone up 25,000 and now amount to 161,000.

It must be a matter of great pleasure to all of us that Sir Percy Everett has been honoured by the King for his services to the Movement both because it was accorded to our first Scout officer and hardest worker, and also as a proof that our Movement has the sympathy and approval of His Majesty.

With such encouragement our prospects for the coming year are particularly bright, and I sincerely hope that our doings of the past twelve months and our plans for the next will meet with the approval of the Council."

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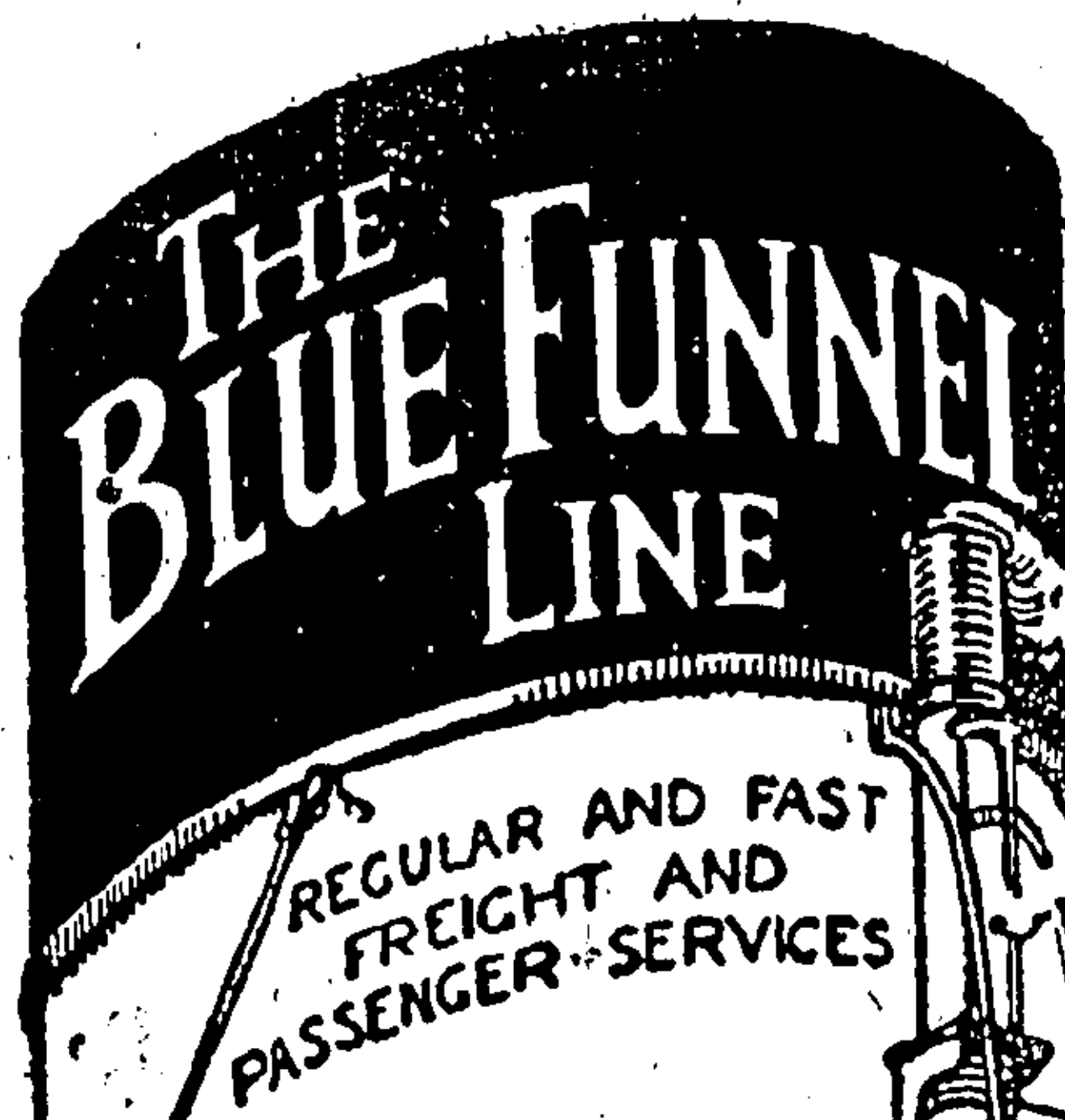
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LESSONS OF THE ITALIAN EFFORT.

General Balbo's final report on the Italian formation flight to Brazil is long, because, as he says, he hopes that his experiences will be useful not only to Italian aviation, but to aviation throughout the world.

General Balbo begins by declaring that the percentage of casualties was far lower than he had estimated, and that, in spite of the exceptionally bad weather at the outset, the forced descent in the Balearic Island proved the Savoia flying-boats were amazingly seaworthy. The Italian Air Minister considers that the 56 miles of smooth water in the Bay of Bolama (Portuguese Guinea) make it an excellent base, as a forced descent can be made in comparative safety during the first half-hour or so of a long-distance flight, which is always the most difficult.

These advantages were especially appreciable because the Italian formation began its flight from Bolama across the Atlantic on an unusually dark night over water unknown to them. Altimeters were set at zero at the moment when the machines left the water. This precaution had saved their lives, as without the altimeters they could not have told in the darkness whether they were 100 or 1,000 ft. up. After outlining the difficulties encountered during the first six hours of the flight, General Balbo goes on to praise the perfect behaviour both of the machines and their engines. Throughout the flight the great problem had been to maintain their formation. "If I had to make an Atlantic flight again," said General Balbo, "I would rather cross the ocean alone three times from one side to another than cross it once in a formation flight."

A large part of the report is devoted to the accidents to two machines at Bolama. The fall of the first machine was due to a false manoeuvre. The second accident, General Balbo believes, was due to a short circuit. An enormous flame a quarter of a mile long was visible on the sea to the other members of the flight. The two machines which were forced to descend in the later part of the flight had been put out of action by the breaking of the radiators through the vibrations of the propellers. "Under the fierce drive of the rain in the tropics the wood is eaten into and splinters, consequently the propellers thus worn away produce vibrations which are very harmful to the radiators."

General Balbo replies to the criticism of the late announcement of the fatal accident at Bolama, declaring that the delay was due to their desire not to give incorrect information, their hopes that the crews might have survived, and finally, when the truth was known, the wish that the relatives of the victims should be informed privately before reading the news in a public communique.

FATAL RABBIT SHOOT.

Well-Known Oxford Chemist Killed.

Mr. J. Thomas, a well-known Oxford chemist has died, at Radcliffe Infirmary as the result of an accident while rabbit shooting at Low near Whitney.

He was taking a rabbit out of a hole when a gun belonging to one of the party was accidentally discharged, and he received the full force of the charge just above the right eye.

ADVERTISING BRITAIN.

Work of Travel Association Overseas.

On the suggestion of Captain Balfour, M.P., the Speaker and Mr. Lansbury, the First Commissioner of Works, have given authority for a display on walls of the Members' tea-room at the House of Commons of matter which the Travel Association of Great Britain and Ireland is using to advertise the country overseas.

The exhibits will include a statement of the constitution and aims of the association; enlarged photographs of places of historic and scenic interest in the British Isles, with inscriptions in the languages of the countries in which many hundreds of these are on exhibition; copies of the association's pocket calendar of events for 1931, which will be circulated this year to the number of 1,000,000 in English, French, German, and Spanish; specimens of greeting cards in these languages which will be circulated this year to the extent of, at least, 1,000,000; specimen pages of "Coming Events," the association's news bulletin, which is sent to editors in all parts of the world; and photographs of Travel Association's stands at the Antwerp Exhibition and the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto.

By the courtesy of the Director-General of the British Industries Fair, space has been reserved in the Exhibition Hall, and the Travel Association will transfer this exhibit to Olympia for the fair in February.

Before leaving for South America, the Prince of Wales, patron of the Travel Association, accepted a bound copy of the calendar of events for 1931.

U.S. NAVY.

\$74,000,000 PLANS NOW ABANDONED.

Washington, Feb. 8.
Plans for the passage of the administration's \$74,000,000 naval construction programme at this session have been abandoned.

House leaders decided to-day to give up the legislation in the interest of economy and to obviate the possibility of an extra session. The programme was the first advanced since the conclusion of the London naval treaty and was designated to bring the navy close to the strength permitted by the pact.

In spite of the abandonment of this bill, it was decided, however, to bring the house to a vote on the senate measure authorising an expenditure of \$30,000,000 for the modernisation of the battleships New Mexico, Idaho and Mississippi. The modernisation would complete the work permitted under the Washington treaty of 1922 and would make the nation's fifteen battleships as modern as possible without reconstructing them from the keel up.

The administration's naval programme called for an expenditure of \$90,000,000, but the house naval committee disallowed \$16,000,000 for a six-inch gun cruiser. The measure now carries \$27,500,000 for an aircraft carrier with a complement of 114 aeroplanes; \$20,500,000 for a flying-decked cruiser with a complement of 36 aeroplanes; \$17,500,000 for four submarines; \$5,000,000 for 150 aeroplanes and \$3,000,000 for experimentation with Diesel engines.



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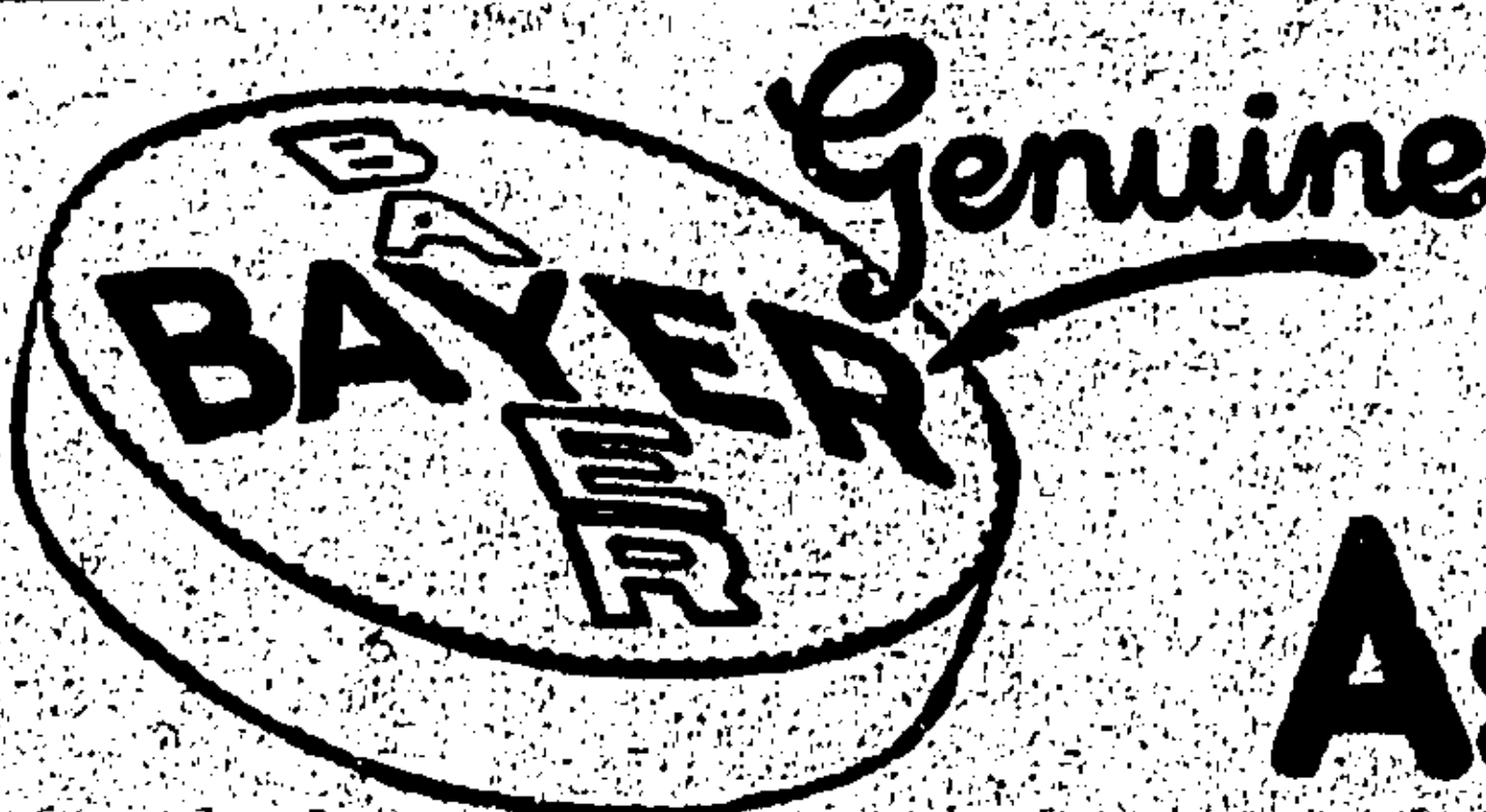
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